





The Eucharist in Lent

Sundays at 10.30am

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion. Thank you for your patience as we seek to make this occasion as safe as possible for everyone, both for those in the congregation and for those leading the worship.

Receiving Communion

In this service you will continued to be offered the Communion bread in the way that has been our practice recently. We receive this following Jesus' command to do this in remembrance of him. Please wait in your seat until a steward asks you to go to the front of the church. If you'd like to come forward for a blessing instead, please bring this booklet with you.

Gluten-free wafers

If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer during communion please indicate this when you approach the Priest or administrant.

Induction Loop

An induction loop is available in the church for those who are hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

Collection

A collection for the work of the church will be taken during the service. Rotherham Minster also has the Goodbox facility if you prefer to give electronically.

Children

If you have small children, do not worry if they make a bit of noise during the service. In Rotherham Minster a children's area can be found in the south aisle (to the right of the church) and supervised children are welcome to use it during a service.

Toilets

The toilets are open. At St. Paul's they are near the entrance where you came in. At Rotherham Minster, please make your way down the left side of the church, past the font and follow the signs to the toilets.

At the end of the service

Please put this service sheet on the table at the back as you leave so that it can be used again.



Large print versions of this sheet are available.

Please let us know if you or anyone else would benefit from using one.

The Gathering

Please stand as the organ begins to play and the procession enters.

Hymn

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation.

Prayer of Preparation

Please sit.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you, you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me: Lord, have mercy.

cf Psalm 51

Lord, have mercy.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

The President prays the Collect for today and all respond.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Readings

One or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel reading.

At the end of each the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

If there are two readings, **a Psalm** may be said or sung between them.

Gospel Reading

Please stand and face the Gospel book when it is processed into the aisle.

Hymn.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. I am the light of the world, says the Lord, whoever follows me will have the light of life.

John 8.12

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Please sit after the opening prayer.

After the sermon we may listen to some music to reflect on what we've heard.

The Creed

Please stand.

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

This response may be said or sung Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

And at the end
Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

Romans 5.1,2

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. We offer one another an acknowledgment of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Please remain standing. A collection for the work of the church is taken during the hymn.

Offertory Hymn.

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The people's gifts are presented.

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.

Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you

and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We sing the Agnus Dei.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The President invites the congregation to receive communion.

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

<u>Please stay seated until</u> you are invited to come to the communion rail to receive either the bread or a blessing. If you would like a blessing, please bring this booklet with you. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please ask for one when you come to the administrant.

During the distribution the choir sings an anthem or a hymn.

Prayer after Communion

Please stand.

The President prays the Post Communion prayer for today and we all say **Amen.**

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

Please sit. Notices are read.

The Dismissal

Please stand.

Hymn

The Blessing

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

All remain standing as the Choir and Clergy recess.

If you are new amongst us please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy at the door.

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