

The Parish Eucharist

*during a time of national mourning
following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II*

You are very welcome to our service today during this time of national mourning following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

You should have everything you need in this service booklet. Large print booklets are available – please ask a Welcomer for one.

Please use this booklet to follow and join in with the service. There are suggestions for sitting/standing/kneeling but please do whatever you're most comfortable with. The hymns are unannounced.

Toilets and baby-changing facilities are found at the back of church – please ask a steward for directions and for anything else you need to know.

If you need it, our church has a hearing-aid induction loop fitted.

As you are able, please stand to sing the opening hymn

**Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of being, life and love;
height and depth beyond description,
only life in you can prove:
you are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.**

**Jesus Christ, the man for others
we, your people, make our prayer;
help us love, as sisters, brothers
all whose burdens we can share;
where your name binds us together,
you, Lord Christ, will surely be;
where no selfishness can sever,
there you love the world may see.**

**Holy Spirit, rushing, bringing
wind and flame of Pentecost;
fire our hearts afresh with yearning
to regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
never more to speak alone:
God, in us, abolish faction,
God, through us, your love make known.**

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

'I am the resurrection and the life', says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.'

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ,
who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father.
Grace and mercy be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

The President prays

Almighty God, you judge us with infinite mercy and justice
and love everything you have made.
In your mercy turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new
life, and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of
his glory in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels
to show that the transcendent power belongs to God
and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty,
we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission,
and confess them before God our Father.

A short silence for reflection follows.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:

Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

May God our Father forgive us our sins
and bring us to the eternal joy of his kingdom,
where dust and ashes have no dominion.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

Let us pray.

Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are
made in your image and reflect your truth and light.

We thank you for the life of our late Lady Queen Elizabeth,
for the love she received from you and showed among us.

Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants,
living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ.

And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant
Elizabeth that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our
Lord; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, world without end.

All **Amen.**

Readings & Sermon

Please sit to listen to the reading.

A reading from the Letter to Timothy. (*1 Timothy 2.1-7*)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions,
and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all
who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and
peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is
acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone

to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

As you are able, please stand to sing the hymn

**Jesus, where'er thy people meet,
there they behold thy mercy seat;
where'er they seek thee, thou art found,
and ev'ry place is hallowed ground.**

**For thou, within no walls confined,
inhabitest the humble mind;
such ever bring thee where they come,
and going, take thee to their home.**

**Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
thy former mercies here renew;
here to our waiting hearts proclaim
the sweetness of thy saving name.**

**Here may we prove the power of prayer,
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,
to teach our faint desires to rise,
and bring all heaven before our eyes.**

**Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
and make a thousand hearts thine own.**

Please remain standing to hear the Gospel reading. (Luke 16.1-13)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

'It is the will of him who sent me', says the Lord 'that I should lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up on the last day'.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke*.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

After the opening prayer please sit for the Sermon.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel to pray.

Lord, in your mercy
All **Hear our prayer.**

At the end

Merciful Father,
All **Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **And also with you.**

Preparation of the Table

Please remain standing to sing the hymn.

The altar is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.

The gifts of the people may be presented.

**Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.**

**Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.**

**Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**

**Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt you,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

May all who are called to a place at your table
follow in the way that leads to the unending feast of life.

All **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please remain standing throughout as you are able.

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy
Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks because through him you have given
us the hope of a glorious resurrection; so that, although death
comes to us all, yet we rejoice in the promise of eternal life; for to
your faithful people life is changed, not taken away; and when our
mortal flesh is laid aside an everlasting dwelling place is made ready
for us in heaven.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of
heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever
praising you and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy, 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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our
life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your
kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of [*N and*] all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Please kneel or sit

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of Bread

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

All **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

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Everyone is invited to the altar rail to either receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. If you would rather receive a blessing then please bow your head at the altar rail.

During the distribution hymns are sung. There is a space to light candles and write in the Book of Condolence.

**And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.**

**Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo, between our sins and their reward
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.**

**And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal:
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them white and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.**

**And so we come: O draw us to thy feet
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
and by this food, so awful and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us never more to part from thee.**

**Teach me, my God and King,
in all things thee to see,
and what I do in anything
to do it as for thee.**

**A man that looks on glass,
on it may stay his eye;
or if he pleaseth, through it pass,
and then the heaven espy.**

**All may of thee partake;
nothing can be so mean,
which with this tincture, 'for thy sake',
will not grow bright and clean.**

**A servant with this clause
makes drudgery divine;
who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,
makes this and the action fine.**

**This is the famous stone
that turneth all to gold;
for that which God doth touch and own
cannot for less be sold.**

Prayer after Communion

Father in Heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All

Amen.

The Dismissal

Notices may be given and the hymn is sung

**Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours to-day.**

**O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns,
with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.**

Please remain standing for the Blessing

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all humankind,
peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The National Anthem

**God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.**

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

The ministers and people depart.