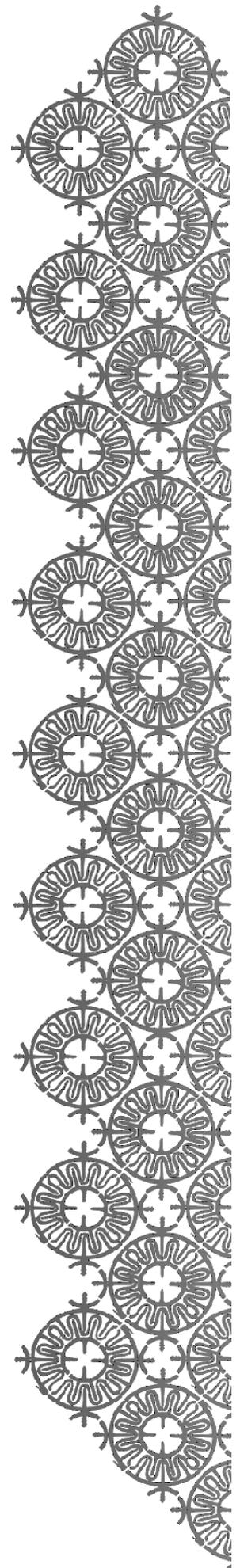




# The Cathedral Eucharist

on Sundays





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# The Gathering

*Stand as the procession enters*

## **Processional Hymn** *(see hymn sheet)*

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

**All Amen.**

## **The Greeting**

President The Lord be with you  
**All and also with you.**

*(or)*

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

**All and also with you.**

*(during Eastertide)*

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**All 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 Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

*The deacon invites the people to confess their sins*

**All**            **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

*or the deacon says three penitential sentences followed by these responses*

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Kyrie eleison** *may be sung by the choir*

President    Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
✠ have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All**            **Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis** *sung by the choir*  
*(not in Advent or Lent)*

Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
et in terra pax,  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te,  
gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.*

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe:  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;*

*you are seated at the right  
hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

*(If you need to sit during the Gloria, please do so)*

**The Collect**

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer and says the Collect of the Day*  
**All            Amen.**

*Sit*

# The Liturgy of the Word

## First Reading

Reader For the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Gradual Hymn/Psalm** (*see hymn sheet*)

*(If there is a **Second Reading** before the Gospel sit for the reading and stand for the Gospel)*

## Gospel Reading

*Stand when the deacon lifts the gospel book from the altar*

*Turn to face the gospel book as it passes*

*The choir may sing 'Alleluia' (or in Lent, 'Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory') which is repeated by the congregation and repeated after the Gospel*

*The deacon may say*

Deacon The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

*When the Gospel is announced*

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

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

*At the end*

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Once the sermon has been introduced, please sit*

## Sermon

*Stand*

## **The Creed**

**All            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

*Kneel or sit*

*The prayers usually include these concerns:*

*the Church; the world; those who suffer; the communion of saints*

*One of the following responses may be used*

**All**      Lord, in your mercy      or      Lord, hear us.  
**hear our prayer.**      **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*Stand*

### The Peace

*The president introduces the Peace and says*

President    The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All**      **and also with you.**

*The deacon may invite the congregation to share a sign of peace*

### Offertory Hymn (see hymn sheet)

### Preparation of the Table

*The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it*

*This or another prayer is used*

President    Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
                 through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,  
                 which earth has given and human hands have made.  
                 It will become for us the bread of life.

**All**      **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**All**      **Blessed be God for ever.**

Stand

## The Eucharistic Prayer



President      The Lord be with you.



All              and al - so with you.



President      Lift up your hearts.



All              We lift them to the Lord.



President      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All              It is right to give thanks and praise.

*The president praises God for his mighty acts and may say*

President      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:

Choir          Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus  
Deus Sabbaoth  
Pleni sunt caeli et  
terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis  
(Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.)

*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.)*

*The president recalls the Last Supper*

*One of these acclamations may be used*

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith:  
All **Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

*(Advent and Lent)*

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

*The president continues and at the end of the prayer*

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*(or)*

All **Amen.**

*Sit*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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 the Bread**

President We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

*(or)*

All **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

*(Advent and Lent)*

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

## **Giving of Communion**

*The president says this or another invitation to communion*

President 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.**

*(or in Eastertide)*

President Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*All who are regular communicants in their own churches are welcome to receive communion here. If you wish to come for a blessing instead of receiving communion, please carry this service paper with you as a sign to the minister. Gluten-free hosts are available: please ask. We keep a prayerful silence to allow others to prepare to receive communion or pray afterwards. Please follow the directions of the stewards.*

Choir	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, dona nobis pacem.	Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, grant us peace.
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*The choir may also sing a communion motet*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept*

*Stand*

*The president says the post-communion prayer*

**All Amen.**

**All 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.**

## The Dismissal

**Final Hymn** (*see hymn sheet*)

### Blessing

*The president may say*

President The Lord be with you  
**All and also with you**

*The president says a blessing which may end*

President ... and the blessing of God almighty,  
✠ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**All Amen.**

### Dismissal

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

*(or in Eastertide)*

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Organ Voluntary

*during which the procession exits*

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