

# Healing Eucharist

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the Holy Name, Melbourne. d. 1931)



*STAND*

*Hymn* The King of love my Shepherd is

1. The king of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he mine forever.
2. Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.
3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on shoulder gently laid,  
and home rejoicing brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker 1821-77 based on Psalm 23

## PREPARATION

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

**And also with you.**

### *Sentence*

You, Lord, are all that I have; I have promised to keep your  
word. I have sought your favour with all my heart; be gracious  
to me according to your promise. (*Psalm 119.57–58*)

**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.**

*Collect for the day*

O God, whose blessed Son became poor  
so that we through his poverty might become rich:  
deliver us from an inordinate love of this world,  
so that, inspired by the devotion of your servant Mother  
Esther, we may serve you with singleness of heart,  
and attain to the riches of the age to come;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Collect for healing*

God of grace, power, and mercy;  
look on your servants gathered here, along with all whom we  
carry in our hearts with compassion,  
give us courage and complete confidence in your protection,  
and keep us in peace,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

A reading from St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (9.16-27)

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe betide me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them.

I have become all things to all people, so that I might by any means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings. Do you not know that in a race the

runners all compete, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win it. Athletes exercise self-control in all things; they do it to receive a perishable garland, but we an imperishable one. So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; but I punish my body and enslave it, so that after proclaiming to others I myself should not be disqualified.

*After the reading*

Hear the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

*Responsorial Psalm* Psalm (84.1-7. APBA p.310)

<sup>1</sup> How lovely is your dwelling-place:

O Lord God of hosts!

<sup>2</sup> **My soul has a desire and longing**

**to enter the courts of the Lord:**

**my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

<sup>3</sup> The sparrow has found her a home,

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

<sup>4</sup> **Blessed are those who dwell in your house:**

**they will always be praising you.**

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose strength is in you:

in whose heart are the highways to Zion;

<sup>6</sup> **Who, going through the valley of dryness,**

**find there a spring from which to drink:**

**till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.**

<sup>7</sup> They go from strength to strength:

they appear, every one of them,

before the God of gods in Zion.

*STAND*

*The Gospel*

The Lord be with you.

## **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (6.39-42)

✠ **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

He also told them a parable: 'Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, "Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye", when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye.

For the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

*Reflection on the readings*

**Penitential Rite**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, receive the prayers we offer.

You bore our weaknesses and carried our sorrows.

Lord have mercy,

**Lord have mercy.**

You felt compassion for the people and went among them doing good.

Christ have mercy,

**Christ have mercy.**

You commanded your apostles to heal the sick in your name.

Lord have mercy,

**Lord have mercy.**

Lord have mercy on us now,

**and help us in our time of need.**

In penitence and faith, let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:**

**we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.**

**Father, forgive us.**

**Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,

who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## PRAYERS

Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith  
we may by your grace receive,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## INVITATION FOR ANOINTING AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has

committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. *James 5.14–16*

*The sick person may return thanks using his or her own words, or the following prayer.*

Lord Jesus, your love never fails.

Thank you for this assurance  
that your hands are stretched out to me,  
to forgive, to strengthen, and to heal.

**Amen.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### *STAND*

Lord Jesus, stand beside us in our need and bring your healing love. Grant that we may know your presence as we break bread together. Give us your peace.

**Amen.**

### *Offertory*

*Hymn* Gift of finest wheat

*Refrain: You satisfy the hungry heart*

*With gift of finest wheat*

*Come give to us, O Saving Lord*

*The Bread of Life to eat*

As when the shepherd calls his sheep

They know and heed his voice

So when you call your family Lord

They follow and rejoice

*Refrain:*

With joyful lips, we sing to you  
Our praise and gratitude  
That you should count us worthy Lord  
To share this Heavenly food

*Refrain:*

Is not the cup we bless and share  
The blood of Christ outpoured?  
Does not one cup, one loaf declare  
Our Oneness in the Lord?

*Refrain:*

The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,  
No mortal tongue can tell:  
Whom all the world cannot contain  
Comes in our hearts to dwell.

*Refrain*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Great Thanksgiving*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

All thanks and praise to you, loving Father, for sending your  
only Son to be our Saviour.

He took upon himself our human nature, shared our joy and our tears, bore all our sickness, and carried all our sorrows.

He brought us through death, to the life of his glorious resurrection, giving for our frailty eternal strength, and restoring in us your perfect image.

Therefore, with saints and angels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise you saying,

**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.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine,

and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

With this bread and this cup,  
we remember the saving death of your Son,  
his resurrection and ascension,  
and his promise to be with us for ever.

In the power of the Holy Spirit,  
bring us to eternal life with Christ,  
as we look for his coming in glory,  
and for the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all your people.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

*Pause*

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

As this broken bread was once many grains,  
which have been gathered together and made one bread:  
**so may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*With COVID-19 restrictions Holy Communion is given under one kind – The Bread*

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

**Amen.**

*SIT for quiet reflection*

*Sentence*

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God. *Ps 41: 2-3*

**THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**STAND**

Father of all mercies,  
for your gifts of healing and forgiveness,  
for grace to love and care for one another,  
for your hidden blessings,  
and for all you have in store for us,  
we give you thanks,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**In the name of Christ, Amen**

*Hymn:* O thou who camest from above

1 O thou who earnest from above  
the pure celestial fire to impart,  
kindle a flame of sacred love  
on the mean altar of my heart.

2 There let it for thy glory burn  
with inextinguishable blaze  
and trembling to its source return,  
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire  
to work, and speak, and think for thee;  
still let me guard the holy fire,  
and still stir up thy gift in me,

4 ready for all thy perfect will,  
my acts of faith and love repeat,  
till death thy endless mercies seal,  
and make the sacrifice complete.

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