

# Healing Eucharist

Friday 27 November 2020



*Hymn STAND* Lord, your almighty word

1. Lord, your almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light.

2. Saviour, who came to give  
those who in darkness live  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
now to all humankind  
let there be light.

3. Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving holy dove,  
speed forth your flight;  
move on the waters' face  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.

4. Holy and blessed Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,

## PREPARATION



Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Sentence*

**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*

Stir up, we pray you, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people,  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

*SIT*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the Book of Revelation (20.1-4; 20.11-21.2)

20 <sup>1</sup> Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. <sup>2</sup> He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, <sup>3</sup> and threw him into the pit, and locked and sealed it over him, so that he would deceive the nations no more, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be let out for a little while. <sup>4</sup> Then I saw thrones, and those seated on them were given authority to judge. I also saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their testimony to Jesus and for the word of God. They had not worshipped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. <sup>11</sup> Then I saw a great white throne and the one who sat on it; the earth and the heaven fled from his presence, and no place was found for them. <sup>12</sup> And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Also another book was opened, the book of life. And the dead were judged according to their works, as recorded in the books. <sup>13</sup> And the sea gave up the dead that were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and all were judged according to what they had done. <sup>14</sup> Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire; <sup>15</sup> and anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire. 21 <sup>1</sup> Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

*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 (21.29-33)

✠ ***Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

<sup>29</sup> Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup> as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup> So also, when you see these

things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

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

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

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* Brother, sister, let me serve you

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.

6. Brother, sister, let me serve you,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

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.' 🕒

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

**We remember his death on the cross.  
We proclaim the resurrection to new life.  
We await Christ's coming in glory.**

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,  
until you come in glory.**

**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**

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

We who are many are one body,

**for we all share in the one bread.**

**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.**

The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

**Amen.**

*(Kneel or sit for a time for quiet reflection following Holy Communion)*

*Sentence*

**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.**

*Hymn:* The voice of God goes out to all the world

1. The voice of God goes out to all the world;  
his glory speaks across the universe.

The great King's herald cries from star to star:  
"With power, with justice, he will walk his way!"

2. The Lord has said, "Receive my messenger,  
my promise to the world, my pledge made fresh,  
a lamp to every nation, light from light:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way!

3. "The broken reed he will not trample down,  
nor set his heel upon the dying flame.  
he binds the wounds, and health in his hand:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way!

4. "Anointed with the Spirit and with power,  
he comes to crown with comfort all the weak,  
to show the face of justice to the poor:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way!

5. "Htouch will bless the eyes that darkness held,  
the lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,  
and prisoners laugh in light and liberty:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way!"

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**

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