

# MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION DURING LOCKDOWN

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

## **Gathering and The Ministry of the Word**

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

**All Amen.**

Almighty God,  
your Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence.  
Give us new hearts and constant wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

### **Confession**

Gracious God, merciful as well as mighty,  
We ask forgiveness for our sin.  
We admit all the things  
we have said, done and even thought  
that have saddened you,  
shamed us, and hurt others.

**All Please forgive us.**

We admit, too, all the things  
we left unsaid and undone  
that would have gladdened you,  
honoured us and healed others.

**All Please forgive us.**

**All Forgive us our sin we pray,  
and set us free as if on a brand-new day,  
to say, with heartfelt joy,  
'You are our God,  
mighty and merciful,  
loving and forgiving'. Amen.**

*The priest declares words of God's forgiveness  
to us all, to which the response is*

**All Amen.**

### **The Collect**

*The priest offers the Collect (Prayer for the  
week), to which the response is*

**All Amen.**

### **Bible reading: Matthew 25.31-46**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to St Matthew.

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

*We hear this week's reading.*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Prayers**

*These prayers contain the following responsive  
form....*

Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

*... before we say together:*

**All 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 forever. Amen.**

## **The Ministry of the Sacrament**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

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Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right to praise you, Father,  
Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.  
When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**All You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit  
and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**All He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body  
which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper,  
taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you  
for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death  
and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread  
and this wine may be to us  
the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise

and lift our voice to join the eternal song of  
heaven:

**All 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 bread we break  
is a sharing in the body of Christ  
**All Christ is the Bread of life.**

The cup we take  
is a sharing in the blood of Christ  
**All Christ is the True Vine.**

*The priest receives the bread and wine as the  
congregation reflects in the homes and wherever  
they find themselves.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*The priest offers a further prayer, too which the  
response is*  
**All Amen.**

## **Sending out**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have put your life into our hands;  
Now we put ours into yours.  
Take us,  
renew and remake us.

**All What we have been is past;  
what we shall be, through you,  
still awaits us.  
Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

*The priest declares words of God's blessing, to  
which the response is*  
**All Amen.**

As we have received God's blessing,  
May we now rise and bring blessing to others  
**All Thanks be to God!**