

Holy Communion Service 7th July 2024

Welcome and gathering worship

The Lord be with you; **and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made; **We will rejoice and be glad in it**

Worship song

THE SPLENDOUR OF THE KING,

Clothed in majesty;

Let all the earth rejoice,

All the earth rejoice.

He wraps Himself in light,

And darkness tries to hide,

And trembles at His voice,

And trembles at His voice.

How great is our God, sing with me,

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands,

And time is in His hands;

Beginning and the end,

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The Godhead, three in one,

Father, Spirit, Son,

The Lion and the Lamb,

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Chorus x 2

Name above all names,

Worthy of all praise;

My heart will sing:

How great is our God.

(Repeat)

Chorus

Flames – *We pray for our children and their leaders as they go out.*

We prepare our hearts and confess our sins

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Prayer of forgiveness

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, **Amen.**

Collect prayer for today

Creator God

You made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; Through Jesus Christ, our

Lord

Amen

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

GIVE THANKS with a grateful heart.

Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ, His Son.

(Repeat)

And now let the weak say 'I am strong,'

Let the poor say 'I am rich,'

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

(Repeat)

(Last time) Give thanks.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark Chapter

6 verse 1-4

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Our belief

Let us declare our faith in God:

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of intercession

***(at the end)* Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Peace

To crown all things there must be love. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you; **and also with you.**

Offertory Hymn

BE STILL, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here;

Come bow before Him now with reverence and fear.

In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground;

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;

He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned.

How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;

He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.

No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place

The Communion

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Lord is here; **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **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.

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. **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.

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.

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. **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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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 for ever. Amen

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ; Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We share bread and wine together

During the sharing of communion there will be an opportunity for prayer for healing. If you would like prayer or a simple blessing then please move to the 'prayer place' to the left of the church where people are ready to pray with you.

Prayer after communion

**God of our pilgrimage
You have led us to the living water:
Refresh and sustain us
As we go forward on our journey,
In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord
Amen.**

Our children share what they have learnt

Notices

Closing hymn

ONE SHALL TELL ANOTHER,

And he shall tell his friend,
Husbands, wives and children
Shall come following on.
From house to house in families
Shall more be gathered in,
And lights will shine in every street,
So warm and welcoming.

*Come on in and taste the new wine,
The wine of the kingdom,
The wine of the kingdom of God.
Here is healing and forgiveness,
The wine of the kingdom,
The wine of the kingdom of God.*

Compassion of the Father
Is ready now to flow,
Through acts of love and mercy
We must let it show.
He turns now from His anger
To show a smiling face,
And longs that all should stand beneath
The fountain of His grace.

Chorus

He longs to do much more than
Our faith has yet allowed,
To thrill us and surprise us
With His sovereign power.
Where darkness has been darkest
The brightest light will shine,
His invitation comes to us,

It's yours and it is mine.

Chorus

Let us be a blessing to one another as we leave this building to live
Christ's life in the world