

# The Holy Eucharist

according to the Book of Common Prayer 1984

Easter Day 2024 8.00am

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## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

#### Please stand as the Procession enters the Cathedral.

- **Priest** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- All Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen

#### All He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ's people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father.

All Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### Please sit or kneel.

- **Priest** Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.
- All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, We have sinned against thee, in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Priest Almighty God have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- All Amen.

Please stand.

All

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** 

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT

- **Priest** Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: strengthen and increase our faith, that we may know him and the power of his resurrection, and live to thy glory for ever; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.
- All Amen.

#### Please sit.

The First Lesson

*Reader* A reading from Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the

dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118. 14-24

Acts 10. 34-43

The Lord is my strength and my defence: and is become my salvation.

# All The sound of joy and deliverance is in the dwellings of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

#### All I shall not die, but live: and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened me above measure: but he hath not given me over unto death.

#### All Open me the gates of righteousness: that I may enter into them and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter into it.

#### All I will thank thee because thou hast answered me: and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused: is become the chief cornerstone.

#### All This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

#### The Second Lesson

*Reader* A reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians;

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to

Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

1 Corinthians 15. 1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

#### Please stand.

The Gospel

Hear the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

#### All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20. 1-18

All I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

> And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I 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 together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. *Priest* Let us pray for the whole Church of Christ and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty and everlasting God, we humbly beseech thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord, that all who confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word and live in unity and godly love. Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and specially to thy servants Andrew our Archbishop and Mary our Bishop-elect, that they may by their life and doctrine proclaim thy true and living Word and rightly and duly administer thy Holy Sacraments.

Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

To all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present; that they may serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

We beseech thee, O Lord, to direct with thy heavenly wisdom those who rule over the nations of the world, that thy people may be faithfully and justly governed; bless thy servant Charles our King and all who exercise authority under him. Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

Of thy goodness, O Lord, help and comfort all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, granting them a happy issue out of all their afflictions.

Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

We commend to thy gracious keeping, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant us with them everlasting light and peace. Lord, in thy mercy,

#### All Hear our prayer.

Finally, we bless thy holy Name for the grace and virtue declared in all thy Saints. Grant that we, rejoicing in their fellowship and following their good examples, may at thy Son's appearing be set with them on his right hand and be made partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

#### All Hear us, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### Please stand.

### THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

**Priest** The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;

All And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

All things come of thee;

All And of thine own do we give thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you;

All And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts;

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

#### All It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Pascal Lamb, which was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee and saying:

All Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

> Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit or kneel.

**Priest** All glory, praise and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God our heavenly Father, creator and sustainer of all things, maker of man in thine own image, who gavest thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. There he made the one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death until his coming again.

Therefore we beseech thee, O merciful Father, to sanctify with thy Holy Spirit these thy gifts of Bread and Wine, that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, may be partakers of his most precious Body and Blood:

Who in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat, this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

Drink ye all of this, for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this. as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, making the memorial of the blessed Passion, mighty Resurrection, and glorious Ascension, of thy dearly beloved Son as he hath commanded us, rejoicing in his gift of the Holy Spirit, and looking for his coming again with power and great glory, we thy servants, with all thy holy people, do set forth before thy Divine Majesty this Bread of eternal life and this Cup of everlasting salvation.

And we beseech thee to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and to grant to us and thy whole Church remission of our sins and all other benefits of his Passion. And we pray that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction and be numbered in the glorious company of thy saints.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, in whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

#### The Priest breaks the Bread, saying:

- **Priest** The Bread which we break;
- All Is it not the communion of the Body of Christ?

We who are many are one Bread, one Body

All For we are all partakers of the one Bread.

#### Then may be said:

All We do not presume to come to this table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table, but thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

#### Then may be said:

All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE COMMUNION

**Priest** As our Saviour Jesus Christ has taught we are bold to say:

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 Draw near and receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ given for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Priest and People receive Holy Communion. The Sacrament is administered with these words:

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.Amen.The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.Amen.

### THE POST-COMMUNION

#### Please stand.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious;

#### All For his mercy endureth for ever.

Almighty God, we thank thee for feeding us with the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, through whom we offer to thee our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of thy Spirit to live and work to thy praise and glory.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

#### *Priest* The Lord be with you:

#### All And with your spirit.

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,  $\mathbf{x}$  the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Let us go forth in peace;

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please remain standing as the procession leaves.