



# St Matthias

# The Eucharist



# Easter to Pentecost

### THE GATHERING

#### WELCOME

We come together to meet with God. Let us recognise his presence with us.

Silence is kept

As God's people we have gathered:

All: let us worship him together.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymn numbers can be found in the weekly news sheet or on boards at the front of church

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All: And also with you

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# **PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

Be with us, Spirit of God;

All: Nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us, breath of God;

All: fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God;

All: bring strength, healing and peace.

# PRAYER OF PENITENCE

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

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

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

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

In your mercy, forgive and help us.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

All: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

For you alone are the Holy One you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

#### THE COLLECT

The President offers the prayer for today. At the end of the prayer all respond:

All: Amen

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READINGS

We sit for the readings

One or two readings precede the Gospel reading. At the end of each the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm follows the first reading; the words are printed in the weekly news sheet.

#### **GRADUAL HYMN**

We stand to sing

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

For Eastertide:

Alleluia, alleluia

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All: Alleluia.

During Ascensiontide and Pentecost:

Alleluia, alleluia

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people,

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All: Alleluia.

# **GOSPEL READING**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

All: Glory to you O Lord

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

# **SERMON**

The president offers a prayer and then we sit for the sermon

#### THE CREED

All: We believe in One God the Father almighty maker of heaven and earth of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ the only Son of God eternally begotten of the Father God from God Light from Light true God from true God begotten not made of one Being with the Father through him all things were made.

For us, and for our salvation he came down from heaven was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We 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 is worshipped and glorified who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The following response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us

All: Hear our prayer Lord, graciously hear us

At the end:

Merciful Father

All: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

#### THE PEACE

**During Eastertide:** 

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said 'Peace be with you'

All: Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

During Ascensiontide and Pentecost:

God has made us one with Christ.

All: He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine placed upon it.

Yours Lord is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours

All: All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
We believe you, and all we have heard is true.
When you break bread may we recognise you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.

All: Amen.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord is here

All: His Spirit is with us

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.

# **During Easter:**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise
And opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever
the hymn of your glory:

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.

During Ascentiontide and Pentecost:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest who has entered once for all into the heavenly sanctuary, evermore to pour upon your Church the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit.

He is the one who has gone before us, who calls us to be united in prayer as were his disciples in the upper room while they awaited his promised gift, the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost.

Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:

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.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you 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'.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

'Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me'.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

# All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, Renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love, and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

# All: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

#### **BREAKING OF BREAD**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

### **AGNUS DEI**

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us peace.

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Everyone is invited to gather around the altar to receive the sacrament or a blessing.

The choir may sing an Anthem and a Hymn may be sung. (hymn numbers are displayed in the weekly news sheet and on boards at the front of church)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The President offers the post communion prayer, and then we say together:

All: God of truth, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life: strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**BLESSING** Please stand

#### **During Eastertide:**

May Christ,
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life.
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you, always.

#### All: Amen.

During Ascensiontide and Pentecost:

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you, always.

# All: Amen.

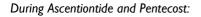
# **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

# THE DISMISSAL

During Eastertide:

We are raised to new life with Christ. Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit, go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

You are warmly invited to enjoy coffee and biscuits after the service.