

# Holy Communion for All – Ages

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## 1 GATHERING AND GREETING

As God's family we meet together and greet one another using:

All God is good *or* We meet in the presence of God  
all the time. All who knows our needs,  
All All the time God is good. All hears our cries,  
feels our pain,  
and heals our wounds.

And then pray

All Loving God, we have come to worship you.  
Help us to pray to you in faith,  
to sing your praise with gratitude,  
and to listen to your word with eagerness;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## 2 CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

We Say Sorry for what we've done wrong, ask God to help us change for the better, promise to work with him to do so and are assured of his support for us.

The minister says the following or another introduction

St Paul says:

Do not make the Holy Spirit sad.  
Do not be bitter or angry or mad.  
Never shout angrily or say things to hurt others.  
Never do anything evil. Be kind and loving to each other, and forgive each other just as God forgave you in Christ. You are God's children whom he loves, so try to be like him.

cf Ephesians 4.30 – 5.1

We confess to you . . . We confess to you . . .  
Help us to change Help us to love  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
All Lord, have mercy. All Christ, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you . . .  
Help us to care  
Lord, have mercy.  
All Lord, have mercy.

The minister absolves us of our sins and we reply.

All Amen.

## 3 GLORIA

With the angels we thank and Praise God

using the following or another Gloria

Gloria, Gloria,  
in excelsis deo  
Gloria, Gloria,  
alleluia, alleluia

Translated from Latin we're singing  
– Glory, Glory to God in the Highest  
– glory, glory, alleluia, alleluia

## 4 BIBLE READINGS AND TALK

Before the reading

the Bible may be brought into the middle of Church with a fanfare or sung acclamation such as a verse said or sung by the reader, to which we then respond

All Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

or this response may be used

Hear the Good News of Jesus as written down by . . .

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of a reading this response may be used

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

or at the end of a gospel reading this response may be used

This is the Good News of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

### TALK

We listen and think about what God is saying to us

After the talk a minister leads us in praying the collect a prayer which links to the theme of the service.

at the end of the prayer we reply.

All Amen.

## 5 CREED

We declare a summary of what Christians believe

Let us declare our faith in God.

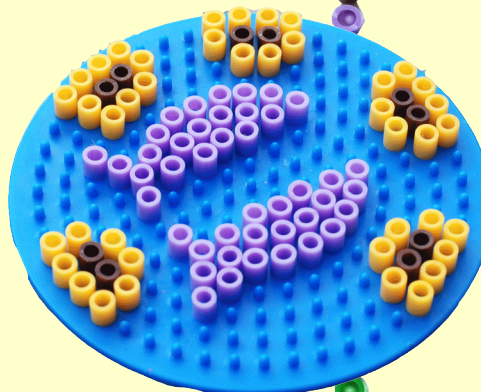
All We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.

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.

cf Ephesians 3.



## 6 PRAYERS

We will be led in prayer during which one of these or other responses may be used

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our Prayer**

or

Lord hear us  
**Lord Graciously Hear Us**

or

**O Lord, hear my prayer,  
O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer,  
O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.**

or

**Listen Lord, listen lord  
not to our words but to our prayer  
You alone, you alone  
understand and care**

or

**Through our lives and by our prayers,  
your kingdom come.**

And at the end, this response may be used

Merciful Father  
**Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

## 7 THE PEACE

We all stand for the Peace.

Blessed are the peacemakers:  
they shall be called children of God.  
We meet in the name of Christ  
and share his peace.

*cf Matthew 5.19*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**And also with you**

## 8 THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER

The Bread and Wine are placed on the table  
and set out for the communion meal.

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.**

The minister describes why it is right  
to give God thanks and praise ending with these words . . .

. . . You made us all,  
each wonderfully different  
to join with the angels  
and sing your praise.

The following response or 'sanctus' is sung  
by the minister first and then by all the congregation

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty (x2)  
who was and is and is to come (x2)

**Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty (x2)  
who was and is and is to come (x2)**

The minister tells the story of  
Jesus sacrifice for us ending  
with these words . . .

. . . And now  
with all your saints  
we give you glory,  
through Jesus Christ,  
in the strength of the Spirit  
today and for ever.

**Amen**



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## 9 THE LORD'S PRAYER

All **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is 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.**

## 10 COMMUNION

All are welcome to come up to the communion table.  
Anyone who would normally receive communion  
in their own church is welcome to receive communion  
All others are welcome to receive a prayer of blessing.  
To indicate you would prefer a blessing, please keep  
your hands by your side as you kneel at the rail.

After the communion the minister will lead us  
in the following or other prayers

**Father of all, we give you  
thanks and praise  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son  
and brought us home.**

**May we who share Christ's  
body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup  
bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights  
give light to the world.  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## 11 BLESSING

The minister proclaims God's blessing after  
which this or another ending may be used.

We go into the world, to walk in God's light,  
to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory.  
**Amen in his name we go**

