



# The Eucharist During Epiphany



## **Welcome to St Peter's**

St Peter's church is part of the Inclusive Church movement and we welcome you today wherever you come from. We hope all who visit here will know that God and God's people here welcome them. If you are new to church and faith please do speak to one of the clergy team before you leave today about the opportunities to find out more.

### **During the Service**

Please switch off mobile phones. Everyone joins in with the service, following the words in this sheet and saying the words in bold type together. The places where we may wish to sit, stand or kneel during our worship are indicated in the sheet.

All those who are baptised into the Christian church (any denomination) are welcome to receive communion here. If you prefer not to receive, please come forward anyway to be blessed today. You will be directed to the front at the appropriate time by our wardens/stewards.

*We prepare for the service with quiet prayer.*

# The Gathering

## The Processional Hymn

*We stand to sing as the ministers and choir process through the church. Hymn numbers are on the boards at the front of church and in the notice sheet.*

*At the end of the hymn we remain standing.*

## The Greeting

*The President:*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

**From the rising of the sun to its setting  
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord of glory be with you.

**The Lord bless you.**

*Words of welcome are given and we are invited to pray together.*

## Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God, as we gather in worship  
we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.**

**Here may the faithful find salvation,  
and the careless be awakened.  
Here may the doubting find faith,  
and the anxious be encouraged.  
Here may the tempted find help,  
and the sorrowful find comfort.  
Here may the weary find rest,  
and the strong be renewed.  
Here may the aged find consolation  
and the young be inspired;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*We kneel if able for the Prayers of Penitence.*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

*The Deacon:*

Jesus said: Do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink. Seek first God's kingdom and his righteousness. Let us confess our sins and our failure to make God's will our priority.

*Silence is kept*

'I was hungry and you gave me no food  
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink.'

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

'I was a stranger and you did not welcome me,  
naked and you did not clothe me.'

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

'I was sick and you did not visit me,  
In prison and you did not come to me.'

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

*The President says*

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.**

*Please stand to sing The Gloria.*

## The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heav'nly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

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.

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. Amen

## The Collect

*The Collect prayer for the day is said and all respond Amen.*

*Please sit.*

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Reading

*The first reading of the day is read.*

*At the end*

Hear the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

## The Gradual Hymn

*We stand if able to sing and remain standing at the end of the hymn for the Gospel reading.*

## Gospel Reading

Alleluia **Alleluia.** Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world. **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*

***We sing: Glory to you, O Lord***

*At the end:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

***We sing: Praise to you, O Christ.***

## The Sermon

*Please sit when invited to do so.*

*We stand when invited to say The Creed together.*

## The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please kneel for the prayers if you are able.*

## Prayers of Intercession

*This or another prayer response may be used:*

Jesus, Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us.**

*At the end:*

God of mercy **you know us and love us and hear our prayer:  
keep us in the eternal fellowship of Jesus Christ our Saviour.**

**Amen**

*At the end of the prayers we stand.*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*The President introduces the peace*

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts  
since as members of one body you are called to peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**And also with you**

*We share a sign of God's peace.*

## The Offertory Hymn

*During this hymn the table is prepared for our communion and our gifts are offered in grateful thanks for God's goodness in our lives. Thank you for all you give.*

## Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

*The Deacon:* Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day.  
May we so love the life of Christ that your Church  
may be a sign of salvation to all the nations of the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## The Eucharistic Prayer

*The President sings*

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 President praises God and all respond singing:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**God of power and might,**

**Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

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**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

*The President recalls the Last Supper.*

*The Deacon :* Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again**

*The prayer continues and at the end we all respond boldly Amen.*

*SILENCE is kept. We kneel to pray if able.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Believing the promises of God,

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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us, light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

## **Agnus Dei**

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

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

## Invitation to Communion

*The Deacon*

Let us pray now with those at home joining in this spiritual communion, remembering that God has been made flesh and dwells among us.

**Jesus Christ, dwell with us today, as we share this spiritual communion. We offer ourselves to you.**

**Hear our prayers for others and for ourselves, and keep us in your care. Amen.**

*The President:* God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*Please come forward as directed by our stewards to receive the bread and wine or a blessing. Bread without wine and gluten free bread are available.*

*During this time we pray quietly, join in with the communion hymn and listen to our singers as those around us also receive.*

## Prayer after Communion

*The President says the Post Communion prayer.*

*At the end we join in the Amen*

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls  
and bodies to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*Community notices may be given.*

### Hymn

*A hymn is sung during which the people turn to face the back of the church for the blessing and sending out.*

## The Blessing

May God the Father, who led wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from light, lead you also in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. **Amen**

May God the Son, who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen**

May God the Holy Spirit, who came upon the beloved Son at his baptism in the river Jordan, pour out his gifts on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God our maker, our saviour and our inspiring Spirit, be with us all, evermore. **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*The Deacon:*

We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**



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