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**July 10th, 2025**

**Dear Friends of St Clement & St Nicholas**

Coming out of St. Clement's Church on Sunday I counted some seven or eight swallows dipping and diving to devour poor unsuspecting insects caught in their path. Swallows are such a part of summer as are flowers. Some are smaller than others and if you enter the Church you will see photographs of wild flowers selected by Rosemary who has taken over the job of keeping our notice boards in good order. One of the flowers is 'Cats ear', a small dandelion-type that opens later in the morning and closes well before the sun goes down. No one seems to know why. I mention this to you as something to think about.

Something else that will need to be considered is who is to be our new Rector. Interviews are to be held at the end of the month and there is to be a reception in Caldwell Hall on Monday 28th July at 5.45pm for congregation and candidates to meet. We will let you know more details closer to the day. Please continue to pray and please mark the 28th in your diary. Your presence will be much appreciated. If you foresee problems in getting to Caldwell Hall please let me know and I'll see what I can do.

Tracy

***Jayne will be taking annual leave next week, so any enquiries please contact either Tracy or Martin.***

**Welcome to St Clements Parish Church**

**Service of Morning Worship in Ordinary Time**

**July 13th, 2025**

**Notices for next week: July 20th, 2025**

**9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church**

**10.30am Holy Communion at St Clement Church**

**12.15pm Baptisms**

**A&M 357**

**All people that on earth do dwell,**

**sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;**

**him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,**

**come ye before him, and rejoice.**

**The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;**

**without our aid he did us make;**

**we are his folk, he doth us feed,**

**and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,**

**approach with joy his courts unto;**

**praise, laud, and bless his name always,**

**for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? The Lord our God is good;**

**his mercy is for ever sure;**

**his truth at all times firmly stood,**

**and shall from age to age endure.**

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,**

**the God whom heaven and earth adore,**

**from men and from the angel-host**

**be praise and glory evermore.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, The love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you **and also with you.**

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God’s holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.   
In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

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.**

Blessed is the Lord, **for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy **and in our song we will praise our God.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Creator and Redeemer of all; to you be glory and praise for ever.  
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world and in your great love fashioned us in your image. Now, through the deep waters of death, you have brought your people to new birth by raising your Son to life in triumph. May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:   
**Blessed be God for ever.**

**A&M 747**

**O God, you search me and you know me.**

**All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.**

**When I walk or lie down you are before me:**

**ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

**You know my resting and my rising.**

**You discern my purpose from afar,**

**and with love everlasting you besiege me:**

**in every moment of life and death, you are.**

**Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,**

**you have known its meaning through and through.**

**you are with me beyond my understanding:**

**God of my present, my past and future, too.**

**Although your Spirit is upon me,**

**still I search for shelter from your light.**

**There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:**

**even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

**For you created me and shaped me,**

**gave me life within my mother’s womb.**

**For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:**

**safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

*We keep silence*

*We say the Old Testament Canticle*

**Blessed are you, God of Israel, for ever and ever, for yours is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty.**

**Everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord,   
and you are exalted as head over all.**

**Riches and honour come from you and you rule over all.**

**In your hand are power and might; yours it is to give power and strength to all.**

**And now we give you thanks, our God, and praise your glorious name.**

**For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now   
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

***We sit for the first reading***

**The First Reading is taken from Colossians, Chapter 1, beginning to read at the first verse (Colossians 1 1-14)**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To God’s holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29468a)] in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God’s people— the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God’s grace. You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on ourbehalf, and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you[[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29478f)] to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

*We stand to sing the Gospel Canticle to the tune Jerusalen the golden CA 340*

**O bless the God of Israel,   
who comes to set us free,   
who visits and redeems us   
and grants us liberty.  
The prophets spoke of mercy,   
of rescue and release;  
God shall fulfil the promise   
to bring our people peace.**

**Now from the house of David  
a child of grace is given;  
a Saviour comes among us   
to raise us up to heaven.   
Before him goes the herald,   
forerunner in the way,  
the prophet of salvation,   
the messenger of Day.**

**Where once were fear and darkness  
the sun begins to rise —  
the dawning of forgiveness   
upon the sinner's eyes,  
to guide the feet of pilgrims   
along the paths of peace:  
O bless our God and Saviour,   
with songs that never cease! *7.6.7.6.D***

**Gospel Reading. *We remain standing***

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 10 25-37)**

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2010&version=NIV#fen-NIV-25391c)]; and, ‘Love your neighbour as yourself. “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbour?”

In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denariiand gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

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

**Reflection: Written by Robin Dupre**

# In praise of fridge magnets.

“We have not ceased praying for you” says Paul in Sunday’s epistle reading. I find this quite challenging because ceaselessly praying over a long period is something that does not come easily to me. For example, take the war in Ukraine or the situation in Gaza. These are easy to pray for when they are headline news but ceaselessly praying when they have slipped from the front page is harder.

Doing something ‘ceaselessly’ means forming a habit about it, and generally habits do not form over night but after many repetitions.

The Church of England used to sell fridge magnets saying “God bless my God-child this day” which were designed to be given to God-parents at baptisms in order to assist them in the commitments they take on. Prominently placed on the fridge, the message must be read subconsciously a number of times everyday. If this acts as a prompt deliberately to engage with the message, prayer for the God-child begins to become a habit. So perhaps we can help ourselves to the habit of ceaseless prayer by using the psychology behind these fridge magnets.

A symbol or object that represents the situation or person we think we should be ceaselessly praying for can act as the necessary prompt. It does not have to be a long or wordy prayer as the God-parent magnet illustrates, but it does have to be somewhere in our line of sight so that we encounter it frequently. Let the photo of the children or grand-children be that prompt for you. And take a moment to think about what other reminders you can slot in to your daily life.

***We stand to sing the Creed to the tune Love Divine all loves excelling CA 428***

**We believe in God the Father,   
God almighty, by whose plan   
earth and heaven sprang to being,   
all created things began.  
We believe in Christ the Saviour,   
Son of God in human frame,   
virgin-born, the child of Mary   
upon whom the Spirit came.**

**Christ, who on the cross forsaken,   
like a lamb to slaughter led,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,   
he descended to the dead.   
We believe in Jesus risen,  
heaven's king to rule and reign,   
to the Father's side ascended   
till as judge he comes again.**

**We believe in God the Spirit;   
in one Church, below, above:  
saints of God in one communion,   
one in holiness and love.  
So by faith, our sins forgiven,  
Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,   
we shall rise with him in glory  
to the life that knows no end.**

***8.7.8.7.D***

**Prayers of Intercession**.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**

God of mercy, you teach us that faith without works of loving kindness and compassion is dead. May the good news we proclaim be shown in word and deed.

God of mercy, you show us that no one is above caring for neighbours in need. Give us a generous will to contribute to the common good.  Spend a little time praying for people living through war and conflict, that they might know the kindness of people around them.

God of mercy, give us grace to befriend the lonely, support the struggling and give wise guidance . Help us never to pass by on the other side.

God of mercy, shine the light of your presence upon all who suffer. Give hope and peace to troubled hearts. Spend a little time praying for people you know who are struggling with life.

God of mercy, with you is the well of life. Gather all the departed in gentleness and peace to the safety of your eternal kingdom and comfort the bereaved.

***And at the end:***

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

**The Collect for Fourth Sunday after Trinity:** O God, the protector of all who trust in you,

without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy;

that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Parish Prayer:

**The Lord’s Prayer: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray with confidence   
as our Saviour has taught us:**

**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.**

***We sing the FINAL HYMN***

**CA 411**

**Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,**

**you are one with us, Mary’s Son.**

**Cleansing our souls from all their sin,**

**pouring your love and goodness in,**

**Jesus our love for you we sing,**

**living Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, now and ev’ry day**

**teach us how to pray, Son of God.**

**You have commanded us to do**

**this in remembrance, Lord, of you.**

**Into our lives your pow’r breaks through,**

**living Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,**

**born as one of us, Mary’s Son.**

**Led out to die on Calvary,**

**risen from death to set us free,**

**living Lord Jesus, help us see**

**you are Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to you,**

**live my life for you, Son of God.**

**All your commands I know are true,**

**your many gifts will make me new,**

**into my life your pow’r breaks through**

**living Lord.**

**The Blessing:** The Lord bless you and watch over you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

We say the Grace together: **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Welcome to St Clements Parish Church**

**Service of Holy Communion**

**July 20th, 2025**

**Notices for next week: July 27th , 2025**

**9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church**

**10.30am Family Service with Baptism at St Clement Church**

**A&M 541**

**Lord of beauty, thine the splendour**

**shown in earth and sky and sea,**

**burning sun and moonlight tender**

**hill and river, flower and tree:**

**lest we fail our praise to render**

**touch our eyes that they may see.**

**Lord of wisdom, whom obeying**

**mighty waters ebb and flow,**

**while unhasting, undelaying,**

**planets on their courses go:**

**in thy laws thyself displaying,**

**teach our minds thyself to know.**

**Lord of life, alone sustaining**

**all below and all above,**

**Lord of love, by whose ordaining**

**sun and stars sublimely move:**

**in our earthly spirits reigning,**

**lift our hearts that we may love.**

**Lord of beauty, bid us own thee,**

**Lord of truth, our footsteps guide,**

**till as Love our hearts enthrone thee,**

**and, with vision purified,**

**Lord of all, when all have known thee,**

**thou in all art glorified.**

**The Greeting:**

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

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the Inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.   
Amen.**

**Prayers of Preparation:**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.   
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these.   
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

*We sit or kneel.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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.**

*We stand to say the Gloria in Excelsis*

**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 for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity**: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth

to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*We sit for the First Reading*

**The First Reading is taken from Colossians, Chapter one, beginning to read at the fifteenth verse (Colossians 1 15-28)**

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.  He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behaviour. But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ’s afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord’s people. To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CA 84**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,**

**fill me with life anew,**

**that as you love, so may I love,**

**and do what you would do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,**

**until my heart is pure:**

**until my will is one with yours**

**to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,**

**fulfil my heart’s desire,**

**until this earthly part of me**

**glows with your heav’nly fire.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,**

**so shall I never die,**

**but live with you the perfect life**

**of your eternity.**

**The Gospel Reading** We remain standing

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 10 38 – 42)  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him.  She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, “Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!”

“Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon: Tracy** Paul is under house arrest in Rome when he writes the letter to the Colossians. He is writing in response to news that some meeting together as followers of Jesus are adding extra rules; for example, what they can eat and drink. It is all getting out of hand and Paul is worried that they will soon make following Jesus too complicated. Paul tells them to set their hearts on how Jesus would act and to keep their focus on Jesus who is the image of the invisible God and in whom the fullness of God is pleased to dwell. Paul wants to wake them up to what is truly important: the mystery that Jesus dwells in them and is their hope. This does not rely on what they eat and drink. In our gospel Mary is the one who has chosen well. She has made Jesus her focus. She cannot tear herself away from him and his words. She knows and feels they are important for whatever lies ahead. She is, in fact, the practical one. Martha has decided what is more important but in this case she has got it wrong. She has allowed her irritation towards her sister to get in the way of what is best for her which was to listen and be nurtured. The food that she was busy preparing could wait. Perhaps the disciples might have murmured but I am sure Jesus would have stood up for her – may be even going into the kitchen to prepare and serve others himself!    Note to self: do not allow thoughts of what others should be doing to get in the way of what is truly important.

**The Creed:**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the 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**

*We sit or kneel*

***Prayers of Intercession:***

Christ, our hope of glory, help us to sit quietly with you each day and for love to pass between us.

Christ, our hope of glory, give to all in authority space to reflect on their plans and actions and speak to them in the busyness of their days. Restore a right vision and sense of what is good and loving and kind and right to do. Spend time praying for all who are able to speak into the violence of war and unrest and make a difference.

Christ, our hope of glory, open our hearts to share our food with friends and strangers in need. Bless soup kitchens and lunch clubs and everywhere where bread is broken and shared.

Christ our hope of glory, strengthen all who call out to you in distress. May they know your loving presence with them bringing a sense of deep peace and healing love. Spend time praying for those known to you.

Christ our hope of glory, may those who know the pain of bereavement feel your loving presence with them. Bring us and all who have died into the safety of your eternity.

**The Parish Prayer: Lord God, we thank you that you know all our needs before we ask and that you go ahead to prepare the way for us. We pray for the person you have chosen to be our next Rector. May they respond gladly to your call. While we wait, send your Holy Spirit to help us to be patient, to build us up in faith and love, and to equip us to serve you well with all our heart, soul, mid and strength.**

Merciful Father,

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

**The Peace:**

*We stand to share the Peace*

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**and also with you.**

**All: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

**CA 38**

**An upper room did our Lord prepare**

**For those he loved until the end:**

**And his disciples still gather there,**

**To celebrate their risen friend.**

**A lasting gift Jesus gave his own:**

**To share his bread, his loving cup.**

**Whatever burdens may bow us down,**

**He by his cross shall lift us up.**

**And after supper he washed their feet**

**For service, too is sacrament.**

**In him our joy shall be made complete**

**Sent out to serve, as he was sent.**

**No end there is! We depart in peace,**

**He loves beyond our uttermost:**

**In ev’ry room in our Father’s house**

**He will be there, as Lord and host.**

**The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**and also with you.**

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:**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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 the Bread**

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.**

**Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,**

**have mercy on us.**

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**Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,**

**grant us peace.**

**Prayer before the distribution**

**We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**Prayers after Communion**: *We stand*

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered

by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**Dying and living, he declared your love,gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
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.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,so we and all your children shall be free,and the whole earth live to praise your name;through Christ our Lord.Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,**

**In light in accessible hid from our eyes,**

**Most blessed, most glorious,**

**The Ancient of Days,**

**Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,**

**Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might,**

**Thy justice like mountains high soaring above**

**Thy clouds which are fountains**

**Of goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest, to both great and small,**

**In all life thou livest, the true life of all:**

**We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,**

**And wither and perish**

**But naught changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,**

**Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;**

**All laud we would render: O help us to see**

**‘tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

**We say the Grace together:**

**May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen.**