

#### ALL OF LIFE FOR CHRIST

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11th May 2025

# Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

Rev Rob Powell will be leading and preaching on 'The Gospel Facts' and Rev Mark Pybus will be presiding.

(1 Corinthians 15: 1-11)

## **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**



Alleluia, Alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns (Repeat)

Alleluia,

Holy, holy are you Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb You are holy,

Holy are you Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Amen

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope, without light, Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes. To fulfil the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word, From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt.

Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one. God of Glory, majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings.

To reveal the Kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost, To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross. For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side, Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died. And the morning that You rose,
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good,
For the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born,
Then the Spirit lit the flame.
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By His blood and in His Name,
In His freedom I am free,
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me!

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### **OUR FATHER EVERLASTING.**

The all-creating One, God Almighty. Through Your Holy Spirit, Conceiving Christ the Son: Jesus our Saviour.

I believe in God our Father,
I believe in Christ the Son;
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
Our God is three in one,
I believe in the resurrection,
That we will rise again;
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

Our Judge and our Defender, Suffered and crucified, Forgiveness is in You. Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious light, Forever seated high.

I believe in God our Father,
I believe in Christ the Son;
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
Our God is three in one,
I believe in the resurrection,
That we will rise again;
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

I believe in You I believe You rose again I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord (Repeat)

I believe in life eternal,
I believe in the virgin birth.
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church.
I believe in the resurrection,
When Jesus comes again;
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

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# PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

# CONFESSION

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed 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 lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

## **ABSOLUTION**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### **ACTION SONG**

SHINE FROM THE INSIDE OUT,
That the world will see you live in me,
Shine from the inside out,
That the world will see you live in me.

You know me and you love me You fill me, so send me to.....

Know me, love me, fill me, send me, Know me, love me, fill me, send me, Know me, love me, fill me, send me to Shine!

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## TIME IN THE WORD

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**



# WHAT GIFT OF GRACE IS JESUS MY REDEEMER

There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy
My righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
My deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine,

I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me. The night is dark, but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Saviour He will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed To this I hold

My Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won
And I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled
And suffered for my pardon
And He was raised
To overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing: I am free
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said
That He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
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# **PRAYERS**

**THE PEACE** (we share the sign of the peace)

# THE COMMUNION PRAYER



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.

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

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.

### **WORDS OF INVITATION**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

# **NOTICES & BANNS**

O LORD MY GOD!
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works
Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars,
I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout
The universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! (Repeat)

When through the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God, How great Thou art!

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING**

### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen

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