

**Team Eucharist
For Sunday 14th March 2021
Mothering Sunday**

Gathering

We meet in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

*The president introduces the service.
The president prays an opening prayer.*

Loving God we have come to worship you.
Help us to pray to you in faith,
To sing your praise with thankfulness
And to listen to your word with eagerness
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Opening Hymn: [Come, now is the time to worship.](#)

Confession

The Summary of the Law

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.

All **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Invitation to Confession

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**All: Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We are assured of God's forgiveness.

Collect

The president prays the Collect of the day.
Let us pray.
Silence is kept.
God of compassion,
Whose son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
Shared the life of a home in Nazareth,

And on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
Strengthen us in our daily living
That in joy and in sorrow
We may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal;
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
Who is alive and reigns with you,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit
One God now and forever. Amen.

Ministry of the Word

We hear a reading from the New Testament.

Colossians 3.12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord^[a] has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The Gospel reading is introduced.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

^{25b}Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Address

A minister shares with us.

Hymn: Give Thanks

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

At the end.

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

The Peace

The president introduces the peace.

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

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

Ministry of the Sacrament

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life,
and make us branches of the true vine.

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 always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong.
You made us and the whole universe, and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.

He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world, and clothe us with power from on high.
And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.
He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love.
Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer.

**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 this bread to share in the body of Christ.

For though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Invitation to Communion

Come to God, not because you must but because you may,

not because you are strong, but because you are weak.

Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help.

Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.

Come, because he loved you and gave himself for you.

Come and meet the risen Christ, for we are his Body.

Come....a moment for us to make our own Spiritual Communion this day.

Hymn

Be still for the presence of the Lord

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The president prays the Post Communion prayer.

Loving God,
As a mother feeds her children at her breast
You feed us in this sacrament
With the food and drink of eternal life:
Help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices and Banns of Marriage

Notices are shared.

Blessing and Dismissal

The president assures us of God's blessing.

When the Word became flesh Earth was joined to heaven in the womb of Mary;
May the love and obedience of Mary be your example. **Amen**

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts and homes. **Amen**

May you be filled with the joy of the Spirit and the gifts of your eternal home. **Amen.**

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

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

Closing hymn: [Now thank we all our God.](#)

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