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Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy ✠ Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you;
and also with you.

Confession

St Paul says, be imitators of God: love as Christ loved, do not grieve the Holy Spirit, put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice.' So let us confess our sins to God, who forgives us in Christ. *cf. Ephesians 4.30-5.1*

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing:
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters:
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake:
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.** *Psalm 23.1-3*

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.

Gloria

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

**Lord God, heavenly 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.**

Collect

Let us pray.

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.**

Epistle Reading

A reading from the prophecy of Zechariah:

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Zechariah 9-9-12

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm

R: We praise you, O Lord; we tell of the glory of your kingdom.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving to everyone and his mercy is over all his creatures.

All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you. *R*

They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your mighty power,

To make known to all peoples your mighty acts
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;

your dominion endures throughout all ages. *R*

The Lord is sure in all his words and faithful in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all those who fall

and lifts up all those who are bowed down. *R*

Psalm 145.8-15

Gospel Reading

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening;
you have the words of eternal life.

1 Samuel 3.9

John 6.68

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you;

and also with you.

Hear the ✠ Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All

things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Address

A short address is given.

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.**

Intercessions

Prayers of intercession are offered.

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

Declaration of the Peace

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you;
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. ☩

All may express a sign of peace.

Prayer over the Offerings

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

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 truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
H God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the ✠ Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the
power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of
bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins;
do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice
made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty
resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we
celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before
you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand
in your presence and serve you. Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all
who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, St Agnes, St Etheldreda, St Martin, St Nicholas, St Philip
and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ
our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all
honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, ...

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.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.

J Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Those who are unable to receive the bread and wine of communion at this time may make an act of spiritual communion using the words:

Lord Jesus Christ, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord be with you;
and also with you.

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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