# **Giving of Communion**

# **Prayer After Communion**

Generous God, you have fed us at your heavenly table. Set us on fire with your Spirit that when Christ comes again we may shine like lights before his face, who with you and the Spirit lives for ever. Amen.

### We Ask For God's Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look lovingly on you and give you peace; and the blessing ...

Amen

# Hymn - 172 GOD IS WORKING HIS PURPOSE OUT

### We Go In God's Strength

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.



# **Hymn - 277 JESUS SHALL REIGN**

### We gather to worship God

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.

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.** 

# **We Say Sorry to God**

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.

We share a moment of quiet to recall our need for forgiveness.

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**.

# Hymn - SOF1669 YOU'RE THE WORD OF GOD THE FATHER

### **We Listen to God's Word**

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 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.

### **Breaking of the Bread**

The president breaks the consecrated 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.

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

As we come to receive these holy gifts, we pray together:

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.

Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table.

But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners.

So cleanse and feed us

with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom.

Amen.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;

he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:

This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;

he took the cup, gave it and said:

This is my blood, shed for you all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again

and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Readings:**

Isaiah 61:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**1 Corinthians 1:25-29** 

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

**Hymn 467 TELL OUT MY SOUL** 

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;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from 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 for Ourselves and Others**

#### We Share God's Peace

God will speak peace to his people, to those who turn to him in their hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you** 

Hymn - 235 I THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

### **We Celebrate Holy Communion**

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 our thanks and praise.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean. This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people. This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.