



The Sacrament Of Holy Communion

World Communion Sunday – Global Mission Sunday

The Invitation

The table is now prepared for us - we all have a place. We are invited to share in the feast of God's presence, celebrating here and now all that is meant by being alive.

The Spirit of God moves in every corner of the world in every age and through all time, calling people to renew their hope and joy.

At this table we come together as the guests of Jesus

who touched our broken-ness with his life:

Who gathers us together, healing us inside and out.

We give ourselves to that wholeness,

moving from hurt to happiness

and from darkness to light,

filling our lives with love,

laughter, and each other,

and joining with all created things to sing:

Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Et te whanu, we are the body of Christ

By one Spirit we were baptised into one body

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace

We are bound by the love of Christ

Prayer of Consecration

Holy are you, O God, for your mercy is endless.

You have filled all creation with light and life, and your glory stretches through the heavens.

You fed your people with manna in the desert of bitter tears, you blessed us and called us your own.

When we rebelled and turned away, you called us back to you,

and promised a saviour to redeem all people for all time.

Through Jesus the Christ, you taught us to celebrate.

Those who were blind saw the sun of your goodness, the crippled leaped for joy,

and those who were locked in the prison of their fears were given the freedom to love.

In him you have made us a holy people

by sending upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit

Your Spirit calls us now, in this place,

to gather all people into our celebration,

For in Christ Jesus there is neither male nor female,

Jew nor Greek, slave nor free,

we are one in the Body of Christ

Words of Institution:

1 Corinthians 11.23-34

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for* you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The bread of our being loved, the wine of our joy, stand as reminders that miracles in faith and risk continue to happen,
We who are many are one body for we all share the one bread.

In thanksgiving and remembrance we ask you, O God, to bless this bread and wine, so that in sharing them together, we shall be your church.

United in Christ, with all who stand before you, In earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of praise:

**Glory to you Lord Christ,
Your death we show forth,
your resurrection we proclaim
Your coming we await.**

The Lord's Prayer

(You may like to invite those gathered to pray in their first language.)

As Christ teaches us 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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

Through the broken bread we participate in the body of Christ.

Eat this, for it is the body of Christ,
bread broken in love for you.

Through the cup of blessing we participate in the new life Christ gives.

Drink this, for it is the wine of our joy,
flowing as a gift of God's Spirit into our lives.

Jesus, lamb of God taking away the sin of the world

Having compassion on us

Beloved of God, affirming the worth of the world

Accepting us in love forever

Healing God, bearing the pain of the world

Making us and all creation whole

Pour mercy upon us, whisper your love for us

Give us peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God

The Distribution

The communion is distributed with the words

The body of Christ broken for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

The Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks.

**We give thanks, O God,
because in your own free gift of love
you have reached out to us.
You have refreshed us at your table,
touched our deepest needs,
and called us to a life shared in memory and hope.
Send us forth with courage and joy
in the name of Jesus Christ,
that we too may become bread and peace
for one another and the world. Amen**