

Liturgical services

A Service of the Word
and
The Eucharist





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Lord Jesus look with care and compassion on all who are ill that by your healing power they may be made whole. Especially we pray for

Let us pray to God who is generous and compassionate
Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us

Generous and compassionate God
accept our prayers and stir in us a generosity of spirit that comes from you. Amen.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, 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.**

Hymn

During this hymn the Offering is received.

Consider all that God has done for you, especially as you see this in Jesus. 'Count your blessings' and respond with appropriate generosity from your material wealth.

Offertory prayer

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have our money to offer. Fruit of our labours, symbol of our commitment, it will become a tool to be used for your glory.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessing

May God who feeds the hungry, continue to feed us and stir in us a generosity of spirit.
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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



A SERVICE OF THE WORD **Feeding the 5000** Mark 6:30-44

Prayers and responses in **bold type** are said **altogether**.

Welcome

Opening sentence

Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Luke 6:20-21

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
And also with you.

Come let us worship the Lord our God, let us bow before the Lord our creator and sustainer, for all things come from him.

**Faithful One, whose word is life:
come with saving power
to free our praise,
inspire our prayer
and shape our lives
For the kingdom of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn

Penitence

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

Father, we have failed to recognise your generous provision for us.
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Jesus, we have failed to share your generous provision with those around us.
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, often we have quenched your grace and failed to live open, generous lives.
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

Collect

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, creator of all things,
we worship you and we kneel before you in gratitude for your generous provision of all that we need for life.
Grant to us your servants, that ability to live our lives in dependence upon you
and to see beyond ourselves and our wants,
that in all things we may have the generosity of spirit that you have formed in us. **Amen.**

First Reading 1 Chronicles 29:10-20
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving
and be glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God
and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us worship and bow down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God;
we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice,
Harden not your hearts

Prayer of Dedication

**Almighty God,
we thank you for the gift of your holy word.
May it be a lantern to our feet,
a light to our paths,
and a strength to our lives.
Take us and use us
to love and serve
in the power of the Holy Spirit
and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Reading Mark 6:30-44
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Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Sermon

A prayer for Giving in Grace

**Heavenly Father,
give grace to us,
the living stones who form your Church,
to reflect prayerfully at this special time
on our love for you and our neighbour.
Make us mindful of the many gifts**

**you bestow upon us.
We ask that your Holy Spirit
will inspire and direct us
in our choice of giving,
remembering that we are only giving back
that which is truly yours.
Strengthen us, Lord, to meet this challenge
according to your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
who has given all
that we might live. Amen.**

Hymn

Let us declare our faith in God.
**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

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate
Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us

Lord Jesus, you look upon your people with
compassion. We pray for all who exercise
leadership within your church; may they be filled
with care and concern for all, seeking first your
kingdom.

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Lord graciously hear us

Lord Jesus you look upon your world with
compassion. We pray for the leaders of the world,
guide them with your light, that stirred by the Holy
Spirit they may be filled with concern and love that
in all they do they may seek justice and truth.

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Lord Jesus the disciples, stirred by your words,
reached out and cared for others. We pray for the
communities from which we are drawn, that we
may seek to minister your love to all those
around us.

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Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us

Lord Jesus, you stood outside Jerusalem and wept for the city. We bring before you our local Community; may your love be released in the lives of all so that lives may be transformed. Release in us gifts of love, time, talent and treasure that we may serve our neighbours.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit comfort and heal all who are ill
may they know the wholeness of Christ

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for those who by their life and generous example have encouraged us on our earthly pilgrimage

[silence]

Gracious and generous God
hear our prayer for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
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Offertory prayer

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing and met our earthly needs. We bring before you these gifts, fruit of the earth and work of our hands, that your blessing may rest upon both the gift and the giver. **Amen.**

Blessing

And now may the God of all good gifts, who has released in us the spirit of new life and generous living send us on our way to love and serve to his glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.



A SERVICE OF THE WORD

The Widow's Mite

Mark 12:38-44

Prayers and responses in **bold type** are said **altogether.**

Welcome

Opening sentence

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. *2 Corinthians 8:12*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

O Lord how awesome are all your deeds!
So great is your power that all the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.

**We come to worship you,
offering you all of our life.**

Hymn

Penitence

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

Almighty God we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

We have withheld that which is rightly yours.
Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

We have not always offered our whole life in worship to you.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

Collect

Almighty God,
who through your Son Jesus Christ,
has called us into a living relationship,
transform the poverty of our love and service
into the glorious fragrance of your love,
that our whole lives may be pleasing in your sight.

Amen

First Reading

Haggai 1:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 66:1-5, 13, 14, 16-20

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

Be joyful in God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
sing the glory of his praise.

**Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength
your enemies shall bow before you'.**

All the earth shall worship you,
sing to you, sing praise to your name.

**Come now and behold the works of God,
how wonderful he is in his dealings with
humankind.**

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

I will come into your house with burnt offerings
and will pay you my vows,
**which my lips uttered and my mouth
promised when I was in trouble.**

Come and listen, all you who fear God
and I will tell you what he has done for my soul.

**I called out to him with my mouth
and his praise was on my tongue.
Be joyful in God, all the earth.**

If I had nursed evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard me;

**But in truth God has heard me;
he has heeded the voice of my prayer.**

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
nor withheld his loving mercy from me.

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

Prayer of Dedication

**We give what we have, but not all;
help us to be more generous.**

**We serve as we are called;
help us to see when you are calling
us further.**

**We love within our limits;
help us to break down those barriers
so that we may love and serve you and give
wholeheartedly. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

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Sermon

A prayer for Giving in Grace

**Heavenly Father, give grace to us,
the living stones who form your Church,
to reflect prayerfully at this special time
on our love for you and our neighbour.
Make us mindful of the many gifts
you bestow upon us.
We ask that your Holy Spirit
will inspire and direct us
in our choice of giving,
remembering that we are only giving back
that which is truly yours.
Strengthen us, Lord, to meet this challenge
according to your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
who has given all that we might live. Amen.**

Hymn

Let us declare our faith in God.
**We believe in God the Father,
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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

Come Holy Spirit, inhabit our silence and stumbling
words that we may discern the mind of Christ in all
our prayers.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church of Christ, that those who
are called to exercise leadership may be renewed
with the spirit of hope and vision, that they may
see the glory of God in others.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves, that we may not be bound
by a desire to follow rules, rather that we are re-
leased to live in the spirit of God's generous love
offering our lives in worship and serving Him and
our neighbour.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we bring before you those who bear
responsibility for the nations of this world, may
they see beyond self interest to truth and justice;
that all may value other nations, acknowledging
their poverty and sharing their riches.

[silence]

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A SERVICE OF THE WORD
The Way of the Cross
Mark 8:31-38

**Our Father in heaven,
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Blessed be God for ever.

Blessing

May God the Father who gives life to the world grant you grace to be faithful in the service of his Kingdom. **Amen.**

May God the Son who walked the way of obedience, suffering and death grant you grace to live his life and proclaim his glory. **Amen.**

May God the Holy Spirit who strengthens the people of God grant you grace to hold lightly and give generously of all that has been entrusted to you in this world. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Prayers and responses in **bold type** are said **altogether.**

Welcome

Opening sentence

I want to know Christ, the power of his resurrection and sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so attaining to the resurrection from the dead.
Philippians 3:10

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

We come from scattered lives to meet with God. Let us recognise his presence with us.

Silence

As God's people we have gathered; let us worship him together.

Hymn

Penitence

Lord your love overwhelms us and sweeps away our wrong doing.

A time of silence for reflection

Almighty God, we come before you in penitence, acknowledging that there are times when we have failed to live as obedient disciples.

We have put ourselves in the pathway of sin, and done those things which we ought not to have done.

We have not done the things that you have called us to do; we have withheld that which is truly yours and not confessed the name of your Son Jesus Christ.

In your mercy forgive what we have been and restore in us the image of your Son. Amen.

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

Collect

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have called us to be the Body of Christ, grant that by the power at work within each of us we may exercise the ministry you have given according to the gifts you have bestowed upon your people. May we may be faithful and bold, living out our lives to the glory of your Son. **Amen.**

First Reading

Proverbs 21:1-8

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 1

The Lord knows the way of righteousness.

Blessed are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.

Their delight is in the law of the Lord and they meditate on his law day and night.

Like a tree planted by streams of water
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do
not wither, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

The Lord knows the way of righteousness. As for the wicked, it is not so with them; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in
the judgement, nor the sinner in the congregation
of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall perish.

The Lord knows the way of righteousness

Prayer of Dedication

**Lord, you have entrusted us with the
fullness of all that you have given
and empowered us with the presence of your
Holy Spirit:
grant to us joy in our stewardship,
generosity in our giving,
trust in your promises,
and confidence in Christ when our deeds are
judged; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

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Hymn

Sermon

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who has given all that we might live.
Amen.**

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who strengthens us
with power from on high.
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Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

In faith we pray to the living God.

That this day may be holy and in all we do we may
be conscious of your presence.
We pray to you, living God.

That those who lead our churches may be faithful
stewardship of your eternal mysteries.
We pray to you, living God.

That we, your people, may faithfully exercise the
gifts you have given us.
We pray to you, living God.

That we may acknowledge that all we have comes
from you and be freed from materialism.
We pray to you, living God.

That our sisters and brothers who face persecution
may be strengthened by you this day.
We pray to you, living God.

That all may respond to your call for truth and
justice throughout the world.
We pray to you, living God.

That you will give hope to all who are lonely,
oppressed, ill or fearful of what lies ahead.
We pray to you, living God.

That you will comfort those who mourn.
**Generous God of love and mercy, hear our
prayer which we offer and keep us faithful
in the eternal fellowship of all your saints.
Amen**

For all who are in pain and distress, that God our Father will comfort them.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For those who have lived generous lives, sharing all with us that they may rest in peace.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Heavenly Father hear the prayers of your faithful people for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
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Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
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Offertory prayer

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing and met our earthly needs. We bring before you these gifts, fruit of the earth and work of our hands, that your blessing may rest upon both the gift and the giver. **Amen.**

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessing

May the Father, who loved the world so much that he gave us His Son grant us faith to live a transformed life. **Amen.**

May the Son who revealed the Father to us grant us the spirit of generosity. **Amen**

May the Spirit set our minds on the things of God and strengthen us to walk in the way of Christ.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.



A SERVICE OF THE WORD The Greatest Commandment

Mark 12:28-34

Prayers and responses in **bold type** are said **altogether.**

Welcome

Opening sentence

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. 1 John 4:11-12

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Come let us worship the Lord our God, with all our heart, soul mind and strength.
Come Holy Spirit and fill our hearts with praise

Hymn

Penitence

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

Renew us and fill us with your Spirit.

Lord have mercy

We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.

Renew us and fill us with your Spirit.

Christ have mercy.

We confess that we have resisted your will and have failed to live in the light.

Renew us and fill us with your Spirit.

Lord have mercy.

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

Collect

Heavenly Father, you are the God of all people. You have called us to serve.

Grant to us a humble spirit of understanding and service, that we may stand alongside the poor; that we may challenge those things which oppress and affirm those things that set free those who are imprisoned by poverty of body and spirit. This we ask in the name of your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 15:7-11
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 24

'Who is the King of glory?'
'**The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.**'

The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it,
the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.
**For he has founded it upon the seas
and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord,
or who can rise up in his holy place?
**Those who have clean hands and a pure
heart, who have not lifted up their soul to an
idol, nor sworn an oath to a lie.**

They shall receive a blessing from the Lord,
a just reward from the God of their salvation.
**Such is the company of those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

'Who is the King of glory?'
'**The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.**'

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'**Who is the King of glory?**'
'**The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.**'

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'**Who is this King of glory?**'
'**The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.**'

Who is the King of glory?'
'**The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.**'

Prayer of Dedication

**Reshape us, good Lord,
until in generosity, in faith, and in the
expectation that the best is yet to come,
we are truly Christ-like.
Make us passionate followers of Jesus,
rather than passive supporters.
Make our churches places of radical
discipleship and signposts to heaven.
Then, in us, through us,
and if need be despite us,
let your kingdom come. Amen.**

A Prayer from the Iona Community

Reading Mark 12:28-34
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Thanks be to God.

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Sermon

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Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us pray to the Father.
Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For the church throughout the world, that all may
walk humbly and faithfully before the Lord their
God.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For those who bear responsibility for leading your
church, that they may unite us in service to all.
Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That we may be people who faithfully follow the
teaching of our Lord.
Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That we will not withhold our worldly goods from
those in need.
Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That all who lead the nations of the world may
seek justice and peace, sharing their nation's
resources according to need and not want.
Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

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.

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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy and 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.

Holy Communion is shared.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, whose love is revealed in Jesus Christ your Son, may we who have responded by faith to your call so order our lives that they are built on your wisdom.

Grant that as we respond to your love we may grow into your likeness.

Create in us loving and generous hearts that we may respond to your call upon our lives. **Amen.**

Hymn

Blessing

May God who feeds the hungry, continue to feed us and stir in us a generosity of spirit.

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Amen.

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In the name of Christ. Amen.



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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.**

Opening sentence

Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied *(Luke 6:20-21)*

Hymn

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

Father, we have failed to recognise your generous provision for us.

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Jesus, we have failed to share your generous provision with those around us.

Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, often we have quenched your grace and failed to live open, generous lives.

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

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 us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria or a song may be sung here

Collect

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, creator of all things, we worship you and we kneel before you in gratitude for your generous provision of all that we need for life. Grant to us your servants, that ability to live our lives in dependence upon you and to see beyond ourselves and our wants, that in all things we may have the generosity of spirit that you have formed in us. **Amen.**

First Reading

Romans 8:31-39

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-44

A reading from the gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord;
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate. Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus, you look upon your people with
compassion. We pray for all who exercise
leadership within your church; may they be filled
with care and concern for all, seeking first your
kingdom.

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate. Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus you look upon your world with
compassion. We pray for the leaders of the world,
guide them with your light, that stirred by the
Holy Spirit they may be filled with concern and
love and that in all they do they may seek justice
and truth.

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate. Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus the disciples, stirred by your words,
reached out and cared for others. We pray for the
communities from which we are drawn, that we
may seek to minister your love to all those
around us.

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate. Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus look with care and compassion on all
who are ill that by your healing power they may
be made whole. Especially we pray for

Let us pray to God who is generous and
compassionate. Lord hear us,
Lord graciously hear us.

Generous and compassionate God,
**accept our prayers and stir in us a generosi-
ty of spirit that comes from you. Amen.**

The Peace

Blessed be Jesus the bread of life
for in his brokenness we have life and peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory hymn

Offertory Prayer

Giver of life and love,
we thank you that in the heavenly banquet
of your table you invigorate and renew us.
May we boldly use your gifts
to continue your work in the world.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer Book for Australia

THE 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.

Father, you made the world and love your
creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our
Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from
sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with
saints and angels praising you, and *saying:*

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

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues and we recall
the words and actions of Jesus.*

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.



*We continue to be united in prayer at the
Lord's Table.*

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory
are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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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.

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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy and 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.



Holy Communion is shared.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, we present ourselves to you as an offering of all that we are and all that we have. May we daily be transformed by the Spirit at work within us, that our whole lives may be worship which is pleasing and acceptable to you our Lord and Redeemer. **Amen.**

Hymn

Blessing

And now may the God of all good gifts, who has released in us the spirit of new life and generous living send us on our way to love and serve to his glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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



THE EUCHARIST **The Widow's Mite** Mark 12:38-44

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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.**

Opening sentence

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.
(2 Corinthians 8:12)

Hymn

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

Almighty God we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

We have withheld that which is rightly yours
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

We have not always offered our whole life in worship to you.
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

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 us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Collect

Almighty God, who through your Son Jesus Christ, has called us into a living relationship, transform the poverty of our love and service into the glorious fragrance of your love, that our whole lives may be pleasing in your sight. **Amen.**

First Reading

Romans 11:33-12:8
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44

A reading from the gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord;
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

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with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**



Prayers of Intercession

Come Holy Spirit, inhabit our silence and stumbling words that we may discern the mind of Christ in all our prayers.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church of Christ, that those who are called to exercise leadership may be renewed with the spirit of hope and vision, that they may see the glory of God in others.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves, that we may not be bound by a desire to follow rules, rather that we are released to live in the spirit of God's generous love offering our lives in worship and serving Him and our neighbour.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we bring before you those who bear responsibility for the nations of this world, may they see beyond self interest to truth and justice; that all may value other nations, acknowledging their poverty and sharing their riches.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you stood outside Jerusalem and wept for the city. We bring before you our local community; may your love be released in the lives of all so that lives may be transformed. Release in us gifts of love, time, talent and treasure that we may serve our neighbours.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit comfort and heal all who are ill...
may they know the wholeness of Christ.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for those who by their life and generous example have encouraged us on our earthly pilgrimage.

[silence]

Gracious and generous God,
**hear our prayer for the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Peace

God calls us to live in peace with all;
in God's love there is peace.

Christ calls us, his sisters and brothers,
to share his peace;
in Christ is true peace.

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

Offertory hymn

Offertory Prayer

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing and met our earthly needs. We bring before you these gifts, fruit of the earth and work of our hands that your blessing may rest upon both the gift and the giver. **Amen.**

THE 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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and *saying:*

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Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy and 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.



Holy Communion is shared.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you. As we consider how we respond to your love grant that we may be generous, faithful and responsible stewards of all that you have entrusted to us. **Amen.**

Hymn

Blessing

May God the Father who gives life to the world grant you grace to be faithful in the service of his Kingdom. **Amen.**

May God the Son who walked the way of obedience, suffering and death grant you grace to live his life and proclaim his glory. **Amen.**

May God the Holy Spirit who strengthens the people of God grant you grace to hold lightly and give generously of all that has been entrusted to you in this world. **Amen**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

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Opening sentence

I want to know Christ, the power of his resurrection and sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so attaining to the resurrection from the dead.
(Philippians 3:10)

Hymn

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

Lord your love overwhelms us and sweeps away our wrong doing.

Almighty God, we come before you in penitence, acknowledging that there are times when we have failed to live as obedient disciples. We have put ourselves in the pathway of sin, and done those things which we ought not to have done. We have not done the things that you have called us to do; we have withheld that which is truly yours and not confessed the name of your Son Jesus Christ. In your mercy forgive what we have been and restore in us the image of your Son. 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 us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gloria or a song may be sung here

Collect

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have called us to be the Body of Christ; grant that by the power at work within each of us we may exercise the ministry you have given according to the gifts you have bestowed upon your people. May we be faithful and bold, living out our lives to the glory of your Son. **Amen.**

First Reading

1 Peter 4:7-11
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading Mark 8:31-38

A reading from the gospel according to Mark.

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This is the Gospel of the Lord;

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

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in heaven and on earth is named.**

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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

In faith we pray to the living God.

That this day may be holy and in all we do we
may be conscious of your presence.

We pray to you, living God.

That those who lead our churches may be faithful
stewards of your eternal mysteries.

We pray to you, living God.

That we, your people, may faithfully exercise the
gifts you have given us.

We pray to you, living God.

That we may acknowledge that all we have comes
from you and be freed from materialism.

We pray to you, living God.

That our sisters and brothers who face persecu-
tion may be strengthened by you this day.

We pray to you, living God.

That all may respond to your call for truth and
justice throughout the world.

We pray to you, living God.

That you will give hope to all who are lonely,
oppressed, ill or fearful of what lies ahead.

We pray to you, living God.

That you will comfort those who mourn.

**Generous God of love and mercy,
hear our prayer which we offer
and keep us faithful in the eternal fellowship
of all your saints. Amen.**

The Peace

God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in
Christ and through him to reconcile to himself all
things on earth or in heaven, making peace
through his blood, shed on the cross.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory hymn

Offertory Prayer

Generous God,
creator, redeemer, sustainer,
at your table we present this money,
symbol of the work you have given us to do;
use it, use us, in the service of the world
to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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We lift them to the Lord.

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Hosanna in the highest.

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all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
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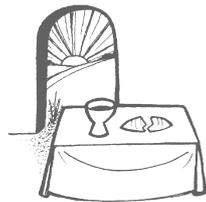
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Holy Communion is shared.



Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
you have met us in this Eucharistic feast,
so fill our hearts with your love that
we may look with compassion
upon all around us and fulfil your law. **Amen.**

Hymn

Blessing

May the Father who loved the world so much that he gave us His Son, grant us faith to live a transformed life. **Amen.**

May the Son who revealed the Father to us, grant us the spirit of generosity. **Amen**

May the Spirit who dwells in us, set our minds on the things of God and strengthen us to walk in the way of Christ. **Amen.**

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

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Opening sentence

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. (1 John 4:11-12)

Hymn

Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness for our failure to respond fully to his grace, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A time of silence for reflection

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

Renew us and fill us with your Spirit.

Lord have mercy.

We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.
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Christ have mercy.

We confess that we have resisted your will and have failed to live in the light.

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Collect

Heavenly Father, you are the God of all people.
You have called us to serve.
Grant to us a humble spirit
of understanding and service,
that we may stand alongside the poor;
that we may challenge those things which oppress
and affirm those things that set free those
who are imprisoned by poverty of body and spirit.
This we ask in the name of your Son, our Lord.
Amen.

First Reading

James 1:19-27
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark
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Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us pray to the Father.

Lord hear us; **Lord graciously hear us.**

For the church throughout the world, that all may
walk humbly and faithfully before the Lord their
God.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For those who bear responsibility for leading your
church, that they may unite us in service to all.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That we may be people who faithfully follow the
teaching of our Lord.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That we will not withhold our worldly goods from
those in need.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

That all who lead the nations of the world may
seek justice and peace, sharing their nation's
resources according to need and not want.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For all who are in pain and distress, that God our
Father will comfort them.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

For those who have lived generous lives, sharing
all with us, that they may rest in peace.

Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Heavenly Father hear the prayers of your
faithful people for the sake of your Son Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and to 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.

Offertory hymn

Offertory Prayer

With this bread that we bring,

we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring,

we shall remember Jesus.

With these gifts of money that we bring,

we shall remember Jesus.

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