

All Age Eucharist

Pentecost / The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Gathering to Worship God

Hymn

Greeting

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.
Let us rejoice and sing God's praise for ever.

Saying Sorry to God

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

In a dark and disfigured world we have not held out the light of life:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

In a hungry and despairing world we have failed to share our bread:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

In a loveless world we have kept the love of God to ourselves:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Singing glory to God

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to the Father
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia, Amen; **Alleluia, Amen**
Alleluia, Amen; Alleluia, Amen

Glory to God, Glory to God, Son of the Father
Glory to God, Glory to God, Son of the Father
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia Amen; **Alleluia Amen;**
Alleluia Amen; Alleluia Amen.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Spirit
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Spirit
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia Amen; **Alleluia Amen**
Alleluia Amen; Alleluia Amen.

Special prayer of the day

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading from the New Testament

Acts 2.1–21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to S Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 14.8-17

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Activities

Affirmation of Faith

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 the People

This response is used

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

And at the end

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

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened his arms of love upon the cross

and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

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

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of 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.**

The Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Act of Dedication for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As we give thanks for Her Majesty's service to us all, let us dedicate our own lives once again to the love and service of God and neighbour:

**Lord of our lives and Father of all,
grant that our thanksgiving
may prove itself in service
to you and to our Queen, our country and one another,
for your Name's sake. Amen.**

Gracious God, we give you thanks
for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen,
and for the example of loving and faithful service
which she has shown among us.
Help us to follow her example of dedication
and to commit our lives to you and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The National Anthem.

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen!

Thy choicest gifts in store,
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign!
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen!

The Sending Out

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth,
and all humankind, peace and concord;
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn

Go in the peace of Christ
Thanks be to God.

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Reflection on John 14.8-17

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises to ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be with us always. Jesus predicts that people will believe because of the works he has done, and also the works that his followers will do. So we're expected not to sleep on the job! Rather, the Holy Spirit will give us power to achieve more than we could on our own – God's power. God, who created fire, wind and waves, will energise us to tell others of God's love, in ways they can understand.

Jesus describes the Holy Spirit as “another Advocate” – because of course we already have one in Jesus himself. Jesus is our Advocate in heaven. The Holy Spirit is our Advocate on earth. Advocate, meaning someone who helps us, stands alongside us. Someone has to start that wave, just as the wind starts the waves at sea, and Christians believe that initial power comes to us through God's Spirit, sent from the Father and Son.

In our reading from John's Gospel, what Philip fails to see is that Father and Son are always working together to do the works of God. The miracle of Pentecost is that we too can be part of that. We can do God's work and in turn help others to believe in the Father, who is in the Son, and the Son who is in the Father, and who, together, send us the power of their Holy Spirit.

All Jesus asks of us is that we love him and show it by keeping his commandments. He had already summed up the commandments in the familiar two: love God with all your heart, and your neighbour as yourself. And he also gave us a new commandment: “Love one another as I have loved you.”

Each service of Holy Communion reminds us vividly of just how much Jesus loves his disciples – he laid down his life for us. Love isn't just a word, but an action. If we're prepared to accept it, the Holy Spirit brings the love of the Father and Son to us, opening our hearts to receive that love, that power, and then channelling it through us out into the world, to our neighbours, the people we bump into.

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