

## **An Order for Common Worship Communion – 16 July 2023**

### **Welcome & candle lighting**

**Hymn** : Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the Risen Lord

### **Confession**

Almighty God, we confess before you our own sin, the sin of the Church and the sin of the world, in which we share. We have not loved you with our whole being; we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive us when we turn from you; release us from the burden of our past, and remake us in your image and likeness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

The Lord says:

See, I am making all things new.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.

Through him your sins are forgiven.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

The Lord also says:

If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

### **Gloria**

Glory to Christ, Son of Mary

Born a child, you are one with us.

**Glory to God in the highest**

Glory to Christ, Son of David;

Born to rule, you reign in our hearts

**Glory to God in the highest**

Glory to Christ, Son of Man;

Born to save, you are the light of the world.

**Glory to God in the highest.**

### **Collect for Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

Reading: Isaiah 55.10-13

**Hymn: I am a new creation**

**Reading: Matthew 13.1-9 and 18-23**

Talk

We declare our faith in God

Sung: We believe in God the Father

Our prayers of Intercession, ending with the Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray  
All 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.

**The Peace,**

**Jesus told his disciples, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not just me but the one who sent me.'**

**Let us greet one another with a sign of peace.**

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

**All: And also with you**

Hymn : To God be the Glory

Dedication of collection

Eternal God, we come with these gifts to offer our sacrifice of praise and the service of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### **Celebration of Communion**

**As we gather at this table,  
we remember that Jesus was born of Mary;  
he lived our common life on earth;  
he suffered and died for us;  
on the third day God raised him from the dead;  
and he is always present with us through the Holy Spirit.  
In his presence, and in the company of all the people of God, past,  
present, and to come,  
we celebrate the Supper of the Lord.**

**We hear the narrative of the Institution of the Lord's Supper as it is recorded by St Paul in I Corinthians Chapter 11**

**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 which is broken for you. Do this  
in remembrance of me'. In the same way he took the cup  
also, 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.**

### **Our prayer of blessing, sharing and thanksgiving**

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.**

**We give thanks to you, O God,  
that from the earth you cause the grain to come for the making of bread.  
We praise you for Christ, the bread of life,  
whose body was given for us.**

**By your Holy Spirit sanctify us and this loaf,  
that the bread which we break may be to us  
the communion of the body of Christ,  
and that we may be made one in him.  
As of old you fed your people in the wilderness,  
so feed us now that we may live to your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

The minister breaks the bread and blesses the wine saying:

**When Jesus had given thanks,  
he broke the bread and said:  
'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'**

**We give thanks to you, O God,  
that you cause the vine to yield fruit.  
We bless you for Christ, the true vine,  
whose blood was poured out for us.  
By your Holy Spirit sanctify us and this wine,  
that the cup which we bless may be to us  
the communion of the blood of Christ,  
and that through abiding in him  
we may bear fruit that shall last.**

**As we share the sufferings of Christ, so give us grace  
that we may know the power of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

**The distribution takes place ( Remember to invite those at home to share with  
us)**

We share the bread and wine.

**Hymn during Communion: Open our eyes, Lord we want to see Jesus.x2**

**Thanksgiving Prayer**

**Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things.**

May the ears that have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute.

May the eyes that have seen your great love shine with the light of hope.

May the tongues that have sung your praise also speak the truth.

May the feet that have walked in your house ever walk in the light.

May the bodies that have tasted your living body be restored to newness of life.

Thanks be to God for his gift beyond words.

Amen.

**[ Notices ]**

**Hymn:** You shall go out with joy!

**Blessing, sung** (Rutter)

The Lord bless you and keep you

The Lord make his face to shine upon you

And be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you

And give you his peace.

My brothers and sisters, the Lord bless you.

**Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: In the name of Christ. Amen**