

Welcome to Christ Church

Parish Communion for Creationtide



Gathering

- **Pre worship and holding slide**
- Notices; Words of welcome and introduction

Greeting

We gather in praise of the God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
This is the day that the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Prayer of Preparation

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.

Hymn/Song *during which the children and young people leave for worship in their groups*

Confession

Let us confess our greed and repent of the ways in which we have damaged God's good creation. (*Silence is kept.*)

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.

*Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy***

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

*Christ, have mercy; **Christ, have mercy***

We confess to you our failure to protect the environment.

*Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy***

Absolution

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect (*see weekly notice sheet*)

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn/Song

The Gospel *(Stand)*

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to x
Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith *(We stand to affirm together)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

In our prayers today we use the response

Lord of creation, **hear our prayer.**

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace *(stand)*

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills
before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their
hands.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **and also with you.**

(We share a wave or smile of peace with one another.)

Hymn /Song *Remind offertory online or contactless – Pathfinders return*

Table Prayer

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the
hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your
whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your
kingdom. **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.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever. From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own.

When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he 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.

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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with [N and] all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer *(CCKids return)*

**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

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.**

Agnus Dei

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
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.**

*All people who receive communion in their own church are welcome to receive here.
Those not receiving communion are invited to come up for a blessing – please
keep your hands by your side so we know you are not receiving communion.
The sidespeople will direct you down the centre aisle, please return via the side aisles.*

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

**Lord of all creation, as we have received the bread and wine,
fruits of the earth and tokens of salvation, so with joy we celebrate
your goodness and commit ourselves to serve you on your earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Dismissal

Hymn/ Song

The Blessing *(stand)*

May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; 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.**