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Holy Communion

Welcome

We meet in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

The Church of God, of which we are members, has taken bread and wine and given thanks over them according to our Lord's command. These holy gifts are brought to us that we may share in communion with Christ.

Prayers of Preparation and Confession

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.

Trusting in God's forgiveness, let us in silence confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

Before God, and with all the people of God, I confess to turning away from God in the ways I wound my life, the lives of others and the life of the world. May God forgive us, Christ renew us, and the Spirit enable us to grow in love. Amen.

A Bible verse and a prayer may be included at this point.

Lord's Prayer [Modern or traditional version]

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.

OR

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.

Our Lord Jesus, at supper with his friends on the night he was betrayed, shared bread and wine and said, 'Do this in memory of me'. So we take this bread and wine and trust that he is present with us.

Giving of Bread and Wine

'Receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and feed on him in your heart, by faith, with thanksgiving.'

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing

Lord Jesus Christ
you have put your life into our hands;
now we put our lives into yours.
Take us, renew and remake us.
What we have been is past;
what we shall be, through you, still awaits us.
Lead us on; take us with you.
Amen.

May the loving God embrace you;
may the healing Christ restore you;
may the Holy Spirit encourage you;
may God, the three in one, be with you,
this day and for evermore. **Amen.**

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