

# **A Missional Eucharist**

# A Celebration of Holy Communion on the theme of Mission

# The Gathering

A minister greets the people with these words

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

The following responses may be used

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

- All His love endures for ever.
  Let the redeemed of God share their story,
  All For he has set us free.
  From North and South, East and West,
  All God calls his people to come.
  From office and school, factory and field,
  All God calls his people to come.
  From site and plant, hospital and home,
  All God calls his people to come.
  Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
- All His love endures for ever.

cf Ps 107: 1-3

# **Prayers of Penitence**

### **The Confession**

We sit or kneel for the confession.

A minister uses these or other suitable words to introduce the confession

Let us confess our sins before God, those sins we recall, those sins we have forgotten; those sins we committed with intent, those sins we committed unknowingly.

A moment of silence is kept.

We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love: fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith: fill us with your Spirit. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy. We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust: fill us with your Spirit.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

### **The Absolution**

#### The President proclaims the absolution saying

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

#### Praise

We respond to God's forgiveness in praise, saying

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

- All We dwell in him and he in us. Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name,
- All make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him,
- All and speak of all his marvellous works. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,
- All who was and is and is to come.

## The Collect

This or another suitable collect is said.

Almighty God, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

## The Liturgy of the Word

## **Gospel Reading**

We stand for the gospel reading.

The gospel is introduced with these words

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the gospel reading, the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

A short reflection on the Gospel Reading may be offered. Prayers of Intercession may be offered.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### **The Peace**

We stand and the president introduces the peace saying

Christ came and proclaimed the gospel, peace to those who are far off and peace to those who are near.

The president then says

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

A minister may say

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange a sign of peace.

#### **The Offertory**

We remain standing and the president says

The generosity of God is revealed as Christ is born amongst us, so let us respond to all that God has given us. We make our lives an offering, our time, our money and our love.

A moment of silence is kept.

All Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day.
 May we so live the life of Christ
 that your Church may be a sign of salvation
 to all the nations of the world.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
 Amen.

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here.

Or

The Lord be with you and also with you.

- All **His Spirit is with us.** Lift up your hearts.
- All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Living God, Father of light, hope of nations, friend of sinners, builder of the city that is to come: your love is made visible in Jesus Christ, you bring home the lost, restore the sinner and give dignity to the despised. In the face of Jesus Christ your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one a divided and broken humanity. With people from every race and nation, with the Church of all the ages, with apostles, evangelists and martyrs, we join the angels of heaven in their unending song:

All 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. We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again. Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

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.

All Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

We sit or kneel to pray.

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.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

The president breaks the consecrated bread, saying

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

The Agnus Dei is said as the bread is broken.

All 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**

The president invites the people to receive communion using these or other suitable words

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper:

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The president and people receive communion.

Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies

Amen.

## **Prayer after Communion**

This prayers may be said.

All Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Dismissal

## The Blessing

The president pronounces the blessing using these or other suitable words

The Father, whose glory fills the heavens, cleanse you by his holiness and send you to proclaim his word.

#### All Amen.

The Son, whose glory was revealed amongst us, pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All Amen.

The Holy Spirit, the Comforter, equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

#### All Amen.

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

All Amen.

#### The Dismissal

#### A minister says

Christ calls us to worship and serve him. He sends us out to build his Kingdom.

Tell the good news of Jesus Christ.

- All In the name of Christ. Amen. Teach the faith.
- All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Serve the needs of others.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Transform society and stand against injustice.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Treasure creation and renew the earth.

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

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