



# SUNDAY EUCCHARIST WITH PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

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CHRIST'S CHURCH  
CATHEDRAL,  
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*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Anglican Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words and actions through which public worship is conducted.*

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

## **A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God**

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*The church-wide leadership of The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (2020)*

## **The Gathering of the Community**

*When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental or vocal piece of music during which the congregation can prepare for worship.*

### GATHERING MUSIC

Pavane "The Earle of Salisbury" and Gigg,

William Byrd

### WORDS OF WELCOME

SENTENCE

The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives.

Luke 4.18

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Anglican worship to this day.*

Almighty God,  
to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

THE GLORIA *(sung by all)*

William Mathias, 1980

*The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.*

Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on  
earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al- might - y God and Fa- ther, we wor-ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise\_ you for\_ your glo - ry. Lord Je- sus\_ Christ, on - ly Son of the  
Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; you are sea - ted at the right\_ hand of the Fa - ther, re- ceive our prayer.  
For you a-lone are the ho - ly One,  
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the  
Ho - ly\_ Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

## THE COLLECT FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures of the day.*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ has taught us  
that what we do for the least of your children  
we do also for him.  
Give us the will to serve others  
as he was the servant of all,  
who gave up his life and died for us,  
but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

### THE FIRST READING

*This reading, taken from the New Testament, is from the epistles.*

*2 Corinthians 12:2-10*

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows. And I know that this man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows— was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

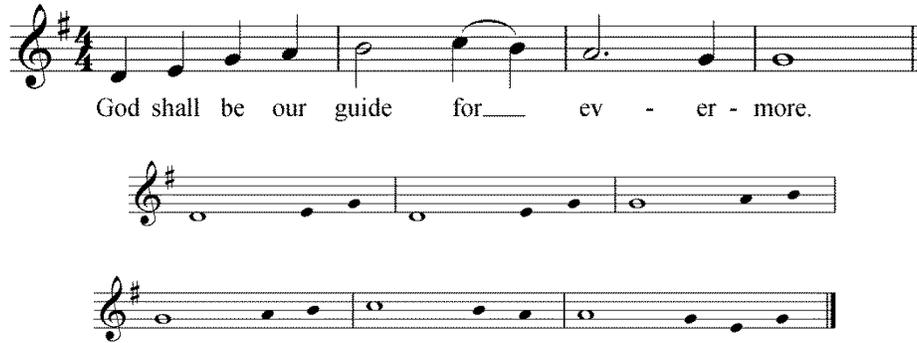
The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.*

Psalm 48



Great is the Most High and worthy **of** praise;  
in whose city is God's Ho-ly mountain.  
Beautiful and lofty, the joy of all the earth, is **Mount** Zion.  
the very centre of the world and the city of the Holy One **of** Israel.  
God is in the citadels **of** Zion,  
and is known to be the sure defense of Je-**ru**-salem.

### REFRAIN

See, the rulers of the earth **ass**-embled  
and marched forward together **a**-gainst her.  
They looked and were **a**-mazed  
they retreated and fled **in** terror.  
Trembling and distress seized them there; like a woman **in** labour  
like the ships of Tarshish when the east wind blows **them** to pieces.

### REFRAIN

As we heard, so now we see, in the city of the God of hosts, in the city of the Ho-ly One  
God makes it sure **for**-ever  
We have contemplated your faithful love, **O** God  
within the walls of **your** temple  
Your praise, like your name, O God, is great and reaches to the **world's** end  
your right hand is full **of** good things.

### REFRAIN

Let Mount Zion be glad and the towns of Judah **re**-jice (1)  
because of **your** judgements (3)  
Walk through Zion, walk all **a**-**bout** it (5)  
count the number **of** her towers. (6)

### REFRAIN

Note well its ramparts, study **its** citadels (1)  
that you may tell the next **gen**-**er**-ation(3)  
You, O Most High, are God for ever **and** ever(5)  
you will guide us for **ev**-ermore.(6)

## REFRAIN

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung by all)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Your word, O Lord is truth  
consecrate us in the truth*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.*

*Mark 6: 1-13*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Mark

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

“Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? Isn’t this the carpenter? Isn’t this Mary’s son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.” He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

These were his instructions: “Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”

They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*The Very Rev. Dr. Tim Dobbin  
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*The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.*

## THE CREED

*The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist, particularly on special feast days, declaring our loving trust in the Triune God and exploring the relationship between the three "persons" of God – the Creator/Father, Jesus the Christ/Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
**We believe in one God**  
**the Father, the Almighty,**  
**maker of heaven and earth,**  
**of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**  
**the only Son of God,**  
**eternally begotten of the Father,**  
**God from God, Light from Light,**  
**true God from true God,**  
**begotten, not made,**  
**of one being with the Father.**  
**Through him all things were made.**  
**For us and for our salvation**  
**he came down from heaven:**  
  
**by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
**he became incarnate from the Virgin**  
**Mary,**  
**and was made man.**  
**For our sake he was crucified under**  
**Pontius Pilate;**  
**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**  
**in accordance with the scriptures;**  
**he ascended into heaven**  
**and is seated at the right hand of**  
**the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the**  
**living**  
**and the dead,**  
**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the**  
**giver of life,**  
**who proceeds from the Father.**

**With the Father and the Son he is**  
**worshipped**  
**and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and**  
**apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the**  
**forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**  
**and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the universal church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are a part of a larger fellowship, the Church – the Body of Christ. Please respond as directed by the Intercessor.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution) and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.*

Jesus said: Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled. As brothers and sisters in God's family, we come together to ask our Father for forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen**

*The presider offers absolution and the people respond*

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Christ is our peace.  
He has reconciled us to God  
in one body by the cross.  
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

THE OFFERTORY

*Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory we gratefully offer back some of what God has given us, symbolically in the elements, and in our contributions towards the work of the church.*

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OFFERTORY HYMN – Lord of all hopefulness

Text: Joyce Placzek (Jan Struther) (1901-1953)  
Tune: Irish Traditional Melody arr. Erik Routley (1917-1982). SLANE



Lord of all\_ hope ful ness Lord of all joy whose trust, ev - er  
Lord of all\_ ea-ger ness Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were  
Lord of all\_ kind-li- ness Lord of all grace, your hands swift to  
Lord of all\_ gen-tle- ness Lord of all calm whose voice is con-  
child-like no cares could des - troy be there at\_ our\_ wa-king and  
skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at\_ our\_ la-bours and  
wel-come your arms to em-brace, be there at\_ our\_ ho-ming and  
tent-ment whose pre-sence is balm, be there at\_ our\_ slee-ping and  
give us we pray your bliss in our hearts Lord, at the break of the day,  
give us we pray your strength in our hearts Lord at the noon of the day,  
give us we pray your love in our hearts Lord at the eve of the day,  
give us we pray, your peace in our hearts Lord at the end of the day.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of heaven and earth,  
receive our sacrifice of praise,  
and strengthen us  
for the perfect freedom of your service,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up to God**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
by water and the Holy Spirit  
you have made us a holy people  
in Jesus Christ our Lord;  
you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us,  
to show forth your glory in all the world.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the holy people  
who have served you in every age,  
we raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.  
God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bles - sed is the One who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;  
in calling Israel to be your people;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.  
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness,  
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,  
a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,  
“Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine;  
and when he had given thanks, he 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.  
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,  
Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.  
We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ  
and his blood of the new covenant.  
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
that we, made acceptable in him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation,  
the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

#### THE LORD’S PRAYER

*We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.*

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**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.**

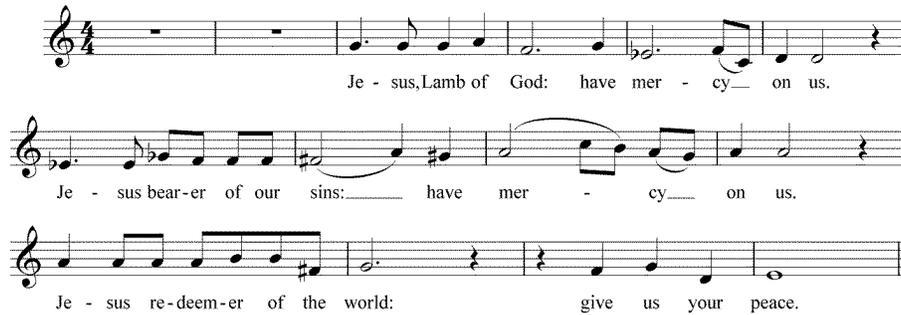
**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

“I am the bread of life” says the Lord.  
“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
who believes in me will never thirst.”

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!**



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus bear-er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace.

## THE INVITATION TO SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment,  
wherever you may be, to receive Christ,  
in communion with the saints,  
and the gathering of God’s people,  
unseen and yet present with us now.

Many are made one

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,  
**We welcome your presence in us,**  
**And together proclaim our love for you; With our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength,**  
**With the saints we worship you, With the angels we adore you,**  
**With your whole Church, we proclaim your reign,**  
Come to us, though many, and make us one in you

**Amen.**

I invite you in the silence of your own hearts to make your own act of Communion with Christ.

**Come Lord Jesus and make in my heart your dwelling place and home.**  
I seek to love you with all my heart, mind, soul and strength, and so through your presence  
of bread and wine  
I receive you afresh and praise you for you are my God.  
As you fill me, so may my love for you and for all your people,  
rise and overflow,  
that with joy and thanksgiving  
I may serve you in the world you love. **Amen.**

## MUSIC AT COMMUNION

DUET – Ego sum panis vivus

Antonio Caldera (1670-1736)

*Ego sum panis vivus, qui de caelo descendi. Si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane, vivet in aeternum:*

*This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven:*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God,  
may we who have shared in holy things  
never fail to serve you in your world,  
and so come to the fullness of joy,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord

**.Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen**

## THE DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Plein Jeu, *Suite du Deuxieme Ton,*

L.N. Clérambault

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