

*Holy Trinity Church  
Minchinhampton*



***The Holy Eucharist in  
Ordinary Time***

*The Eucharist is a celebration of God's gift of new life to us and to the world. Here bread and wine are shared, to remind us that it is Jesus who brings us together with God and each other.*

*If you are new here at Holy Trinity, it may be a bit confusing. Please don't worry if you can't follow everything that is going on; it takes a few weeks to become familiar with any pattern of worship. We hope this booklet will help.*

*Please do stay for refreshments in the Porch Room following the service. Welcome stewards are on duty. If you are new, or have any questions about the life of the church in this place, please make yourself known to them or a member of clergy.*

# ¶ **The Gathering**

## **Welcome**

*The presiding priest welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.*

## **Hymn**

*Please stand as the choir and altar party enter during the first hymn.*

## **The Greeting**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*All*

## **Prayer of Preparation**

*All* **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.**

## Junior Church

*Our youngest members now meet in the Porch Room.*

*The Deacon introduces Junior Church with the following prayer:*

Father, we meet today to learn about Jesus.  
Help us all to listen and to grow, and learn and love,  
as we celebrate our Heavenly Father above.

*All*    **Amen.**

## The Prayers of Penitence

*The deacon invites the people to confess their sins.*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*All*    **Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

*The president pronounces the Absolution*

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

*All*    **Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*We sing together this ancient hymn of praise.*

**All**    **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**

*The presiding priest prays the prayer for the day.*

# ¶ **The Liturgy of the Word**

*Please sit down.*

## **Old Testament Reading**

*When the reading ends, these words are said.*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm**

*The responsorial psalm is printed on your separate readings sheet.*

## **New Testament Reading**

*When the reading ends, these words are said.*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

*The congregation stand and turn towards the centre of the church for the Gospel reading. This or another sentence may be sung or said.*

Alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

**Alleluia.**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit for the sermon.*

## **Sermon**

## The Creed

*We stand to say the Creed.*

**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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who 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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*The president says*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*The congregation sits or kneels. This response is used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**All hear our prayer.**

*After the final bidding there is a moment of silence.*

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

## ¶ **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

*Please stand.*

### **The Peace**

*The president says*

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  
**All and also with you.**

*The deacon says*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*While we sing, the bread and wine are brought to the table and there is an opportunity for those who are not on a planned giving scheme to contribute to the work of the church in this parish.*

## Offertory Hymn

*We remain standing to sing the hymn.*

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

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.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,  
for Christ has risen from the tomb  
and scattered the darkness of death  
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,  
unfolds for us your word,  
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day  
you summon us to live in endless light,  
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels  
and with all the heavenly host,  
we proclaim your glory  
and join their unending song of praise:

*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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

*The deacon says*

Great is the mystery of faith.

*All* **Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

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

*Silence is kept as the bell is rung three times.  
All sit or kneel.*

## **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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

*All* **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

*We sing the Lamb of God as the bread is broken for all to share*

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

### **Giving of Communion**

*The president says*

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*Everyone is welcome to receive communion. If you simply wish to receive a blessing, please carry this booklet with you.*

### **Hymns during Communion**

*Hymns and an anthem may be sung.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*The post communion collect is said after which we pray together:*

**All Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

### **The Notices**

*The presiding priest shares the notices, Banns of Marriage may be read and we find out what the younger members have been exploring this morning.*

## ¶ **The Dismissal**

### **Hymn**

*Please stand for the hymn.*

### **The Blessing**

*The president blesses the congregation with this or another suitable blessing.*

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself,  
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service,  
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill you hearts;  
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**

*The deacon dismisses the congregation*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

*Please do join us for coffee after the service in the Porch Room.*

*If you are new and are looking for a church to be part of which will nourish you on your spiritual journey, then we would be delighted if you felt that Holy Trinity was the place for you. If so, please do make yourself known to a welcomer or a member of clergy, so we can let you know about all that goes on here. If not, we wish you well and God's blessing, and would be pleased to tell you of other Christian fellowships that meet in the area.*