

Post Communion Prayer

Lord,
we have broken your bread
and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit
keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

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Song **Great is Thy faithfulness**

Closing Prayer

Blessing

La Bénédiction
L'amour du Seigneur Jésus
t'attire à lui,
la puissance du Seigneur Jésus
te fortifie dans son service,
la joie du Seigneur Jésus remplit vos cœurs ;
et la bénédiction de Dieu tout-puissant,
le Père, le Fils et le Saint-Esprit,
sois parmi vous et reste avec toi et tous ceux que tu aimes maintenant et toujours.
Amen.

To a troubled world	peace from Christ.
To a searching world	love from Christ.
To a waiting world	hope from Christ.

Dismissal

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



St Michael's Church, Highworth
10.15am service — Sunday 22nd September 2024

Welcome

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.
and also with you.

God in Christ has revealed his glory.
Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting
the Lord's name is to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.
O praise the name of the Lord!

At this time, in this place, let us worship God –
with open ears ready to listen
and hearts ready to receive,
minds willing to be challenged
and attitudes given to God.
Come, we worship God as one. **Amen**

Song **O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder**

All age engagement

Confession

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin
and be faithful to Christ.
As we come before him in penitence and faith,
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Jesus said: 'Anyone who wants to be first must be last.'

Lord,
for the times when we've put ourselves first, or argued with people,
thinking we know better
**Lord, please forgive us,
and teach us our rightful place in you.**

For the times when we'd rather not choose to serve others
because of misplaced pride in ourselves.....
**Lord, please forgive us,
and teach us our rightful place in you.**

When we fail to recognise Christ in those around us
because we're too concerned about ourselves
**Lord, please forgive us,
and teach us our rightful place in you.**

When we misunderstand other people and what they say,
perhaps not appreciating their feelings of fear or inadequacy...

**Lord, please forgive us,
and teach us our rightful place in you.**

When we jostle for position, rather than being happy where you
want us to be....

**Lord, please forgive us,
and teach us our rightful place in you.**

The Collect

Reading - James 3:13 -4: 3, 7 -8a (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Reading - Mark 9: 30—37 (NSRV)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the reading)

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

Sermon

Prayer

Song **From heaven you came helpless babe (Servant King)**

Affirmation of Faith

**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.**

The Lord's Prayer

As Jesus our Saviour has taught us, so we 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.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours

now and forever. Amen.

La Prière du Seigneur.

On dit la Prière du Seigneur.

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,

que ton nom soit sanctifié,

que ton règne vienne,

que ta volonté soit faite

sur la terre comme au ciel.

Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses,

comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation

mais délivre-nous du Mal,

Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent

le règne, la puissance et la gloire,

pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.

Breaking of 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.

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ

which he gave for you,

and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink

in remembrance that he died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts

by faith with thanksgiving.

he died to save us from our sins;
he rose in glory from the dead.
You send your Spirit
to bring new life to the world,
and clothe us with power from on high.
And so we join the angels
to celebrate and say:

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

Father, on the night before he died,
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
He took the bread and thanked you.
He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.
He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood,
the new promise of God's unfailing love.
Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Father, as we bring this bread and wine,
and remember his death and resurrection,
send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts
may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us
that we may love one another,
work for the healing of the earth,
and share the good news of Jesus,
as we wait for his coming in glory.
For honour and praise belong to you, Father,
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:
one God, for ever and ever:
Amen

**Je crois en Dieu, le Pere tout-puissant,
createur du ciel et de la terre.
Et en Jesus Christ, son Fils unique, notre Seigneur
qui a ete conçu du Saint-Esprit,
est ne de la Vierge Marie,
a souffert sous Ponce Pilate,
a ete crucifie, est mort et a ete enseveli,
est descendu aux enfers,
le troisieme jour est ressuscite des morts,
est monte aux cieux,
est assis a la droite de Dieu le Pere tout-puissant
d'ou Il viendra juger les vivants et les morts.
Je crois en l'Esprit-Saint,
a la sainte Eglise catholique,
a la communion des saints,
a la remission des peches,
a la resurrection de la chair,
la vie eternelle. Amen.**

The Peace

God has called us to live in peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

(cf 1 Corinthians 7:17)

Song **Behold the Lamb – The Communion Hymn**

Thanksgiving Prayer

The Lord is here
His Spirit is with us.

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.

It is always right to give you thanks,
God our Creator,
loving and faithful,
holy and strong.
You made us
and the whole universe,
and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us,
Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.
He suffered on the cross;