



## Gathering Song

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy One, is here;  
come bow before him now with reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around;  
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight our radiant King of light.  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place:  
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace-  
no work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.  
Be still, for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place.

## Welcome

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

**All**     **Amen.**

The Lord be with you

**All**     **and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**All**     **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

## Introduction

Fight the good fight with all thy might;  
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right:  
lay hold on life, and it shall be  
thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,  
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;  
life with its way before us lies,  
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

## Prayer of Preparation

**All Faithful God, whose word is life:  
come with saving power  
to free our praise,  
inspire our prayer  
and shape our lives  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Confession

As for you, people of God, I encourage you;  
shun all that is evil,  
pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love,  
endurance and gentleness.  
Fight the good fight of the faith  
and run with perseverance;  
take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called  
and for which you are made.  
Make the good confession before many witnesses  
and in the presence of God,  
who gives life to all things.

*1 Timothy*

**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.**

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.**

### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
send down upon us and all your Church  
the energy and riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in us all  
your countless gifts of grace;  
that we may be made fit  
to live lives of prayer, worship and service,  
ever ready to witness to your life giving love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** **Amen.**

## Hebrews 12:1-3

Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of faith. For the joy that was set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

This is the word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 105

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;  
make known among the nations what he has done.

**All Sing to him, sing praise to him;  
tell of all his wonderful acts.**

Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**All Look to the Lord and his strength;  
seek his face always.**

Remember the wonders he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,

**All For he remembered his holy promise  
given to his servant Abraham.**

He brought out his people with rejoicing,  
his chosen ones with shouts of joy.

**All He gave them the lands of the nations,  
that they might keep his precepts and observe his laws.**

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning  
is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

## **Gospel**

The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

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

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

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on  
ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he  
himself intended to go.

He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful,  
but the labourers are few;

therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers  
into his harvest. Go on your way.

See, I am sending you out like lambs  
into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag,  
no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

Whatever house you enter, first say,

"Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares  
in peace, your peace will rest on that person;  
but if not, it will return to you.

Remain in the same house, eating and drinking  
whatever they provide,

for the labourer deserves to be paid.

Do not move about from house to house.

Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you,  
eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there,  
and say to them,

"The kingdom of God has come near to you."

But whenever you enter a town and they do not  
welcome you, go out into its streets and say,

"Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet,  
we wipe off in protest against you.

Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Prayers

### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All and also with you.**

### Communion 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 indeed right and good that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he sent out his disciples to bring peace, to offer healing and to proclaim that “The kingdom of God has come near.”

We, like them, rejoice in sharing Christ’s message; encouraged by the Holy Spirit

we persevere in running the race that is set before us that we may claim the glorious prize of his mercy and eternal love for us.

And so cheered on by angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn 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.**

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 for 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.**

**All** 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.

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.

**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.

Draw near with faith  
and receive the gifts of God.

### **Music during Communion**

By your side I would stay,  
in your arms I would lay;  
Jesus lover of my soul,  
nothing from you I withhold.

Lord I love you and adore you;  
what more can I say.  
You cause my love to grow stronger,  
with every passing day.

## Prayer after Communion

**All**     **Eternal Father,**  
          **we thank you for nourishing us**  
          **with these heavenly gifts:**  
          **may our communion strengthen us in faith,**  
          **build us up in hope,**  
          **and make us grow in love;**  
          **for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
          **Amen.**

## Blessing

The Lord be with you.

**All**     **And also with you.**

God give you grace to proclaim that:  
‘The harvest is plentiful,  
and the kingdom of God has come near.’  
and the blessing ...

**All**     **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Exit Music, This is amazing grace**

# God's Open Book

A yellow pencil with a silver eraser and a sharpened lead tip is lying horizontally across the center of an open book. The book's pages are white and slightly curved, and the background is a soft, light blue gradient.

We all have a story to tell  
and we want to hear yours

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# Sunday Holy Communion

27<sup>th</sup> June

Ditchling 10.00am

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