

Holy Trinity Parish Church,
Longlevens, Gloucester



Parish Communion

Using Eucharistic Prayer H

Before the Service Talk to God.

During the Service Let God talk to you.

After the Service Talk to one another.

At Holy Trinity we strive to be:

A growing and vibrant church with an open door, enabling us to take God's love into the community and to welcome and nourish with God's love all who enter.

Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another – John 13.34

Taste and see that the Lord is good – Psalm 34.8

The Gathering

Please stand as the clergy and choir enter.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Hymn

The Greeting

The president greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All **and also with you.**

Prayers of Penitence

The deacon invites us to confess our sins.

We sit or kneel and keep a moment of silence

We have not always worshipped God,
our creator.

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

We have not always followed Christ,
our Saviour.

Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

We have not always trusted in the Spirit,
our guide.

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The president says

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

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

We stand and say or sing the Gloria

**Glory be to God in heaven,
peace to those who love him well;
on the earth let all his people
speak his grace, his wonders tell:
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
mighty Father, heaven's king;
hear our joyful adoration
and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sin away,
now with him in triumph seated
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
in the glory of the Father
with the Spirit: Three-in-One!**

from Gloria in Excelsis © Michael Perry/Jubilate Hymns

The Collect

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words
'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding.*

The Collect, the prayer for the day, is said.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

We sit

Readings

First Reading *This is usually taken from the Old Testament*

Second Reading *This is usually taken from the New Testament*

At the end of the readings the reader says

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn *During this hymn we turn to face the Book of Gospels*

Gospel Reading

An acclamation may herald the Gospel reading.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

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

At the end the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

When the sermon has been introduced we sit.

The Creed

The deacon invites us to stand and affirm our faith

Let us stand and declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The intercessor invites us to pray with these words

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

We sit or kneel

The prayers may include one or other of these responses

Lord, in your mercy Lord, hear your people Lord, hear us
hear our prayer. and answer our prayers. Lord, graciously
hear us.

and at the end

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand

*The president introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence,
and then says*

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.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn

The gifts of the people may be gathered and presented.

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The president takes the bread and wine, and says this or another prayer

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.
All **You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.
All **He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All **As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

All **Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

We remain standing and keep a moment of silence.

The Lord's Prayer

The deacon invites us to continue in prayer, saying either

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.**

(or) 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.**

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion

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.

As the ministers receive Holy Communion

we sing:

(or) we say:

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

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

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

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

**Jesus, redeemer of
the world,
grant us peace**

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

The president and people receive communion.

Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies

Amen.

Hymn

Any consecrated bread and wine which is not required for purposes of communion is consumed at the end of the distribution or after the service.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The Post Communion prayer for the day is said.

**All We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Hymn

Blessing

The president gives us God's blessing which ends with these words

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

All Amen.

We say together

All **We go into the world
to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love
and to reflect God's glory.
Amen. Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.

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Our Parish Link with Leksands Pastorat

Our link with Leksand in Gloucester's partner diocese of Västerås in Sweden is a reminder to us that we are part of the worldwide body of Christ. The link encourages us to look beyond the boundaries of our parish and join with Christians everywhere in a shared bond of prayer, mission and fellowship.

We join together with Leksand in prayer:

O du som blev ett svar på vår bön,
ett bröd för vår hunger,
hjälp oss nu att vara ditt svar till dem
som saknar vad vi äger i överflöd.
Hjälp oss att höra det rop som du har hört,
förstå den nöd som du har förstått,
tjäna den mänsklighet som du har tjänat.
Uppenbara för oss ditt bords hemlighet-
ett enda bord och en enda mänsklighet.
Amen

Christ,
You became an answer to our prayer,
a bread for our hunger, help us, now,
to be your answer to those
who lack what we have in plenty.
Help us hear the outcry you have heard,
understand the need you have understood,
serve the humanity you have served.
Reveal to us the secret of your communion table -
one sole bread, one sole humanity.
Amen.

Olov Hartman (1906-1982), translation Sten Boman



The photograph on the front cover of this booklet shows a candlestick presented to Holy Trinity by our link parish of Leksands Pastorat. Hand made by Käck & Hedbys in Leksand, it features the following Christian symbolism:

The cock—watchfulness

The three candles—the Holy Trinity

The two jagged bows—Christ's crown of thorns

The twelve leaves—the twelve disciples

The ten holes—the ten Commandments

The heart—Love

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