ALL SAINTS
WEST DULWICH

CORPUS CHRISTI
Thanksgiving for the Institution
of Holy Communion
Prayer of Preparation before the Eucharist

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me,
Body of Christ, save me,
Blood of Christ, refresh me,
water from the side of Christ, wash me,
passion of Christ, strengthen me,
O good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds hide me,
suffer me not to be separated from thee,
from the powers of darkness defend me,
in the hour of death call me,
and bid me come to thee,
that with thy saints I may praise thee
for ever and ever. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

A minister may call the people to worship with an appropriate sentence of scripture or the prayer above

Please stand

An introit and a processional hymn may be sung

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

The Lord be with you
and also with you.
Prayers of Penitence

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God’s love, revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins.

Like as the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for you, O God:

**Kyrie eleison . . .**

O send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me:

**Christe eleison . . .**

May we come to your altar, O God, the God of our salvation:

**Kyrie eleison . . .**

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**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. **Amen.**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives
the fruits of your redemption;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please sit

First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis

And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was
priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, ‘Blessed be Abram
by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God
Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!’ And
Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Beloved, I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the
Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread,
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, ‘This is my body
that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way he
took the cup also, after supper, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in
my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For
as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the
Lord’s death until he comes.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand

A gradual hymn may be sung
The Holy Gospel

Alleluia...

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I am the living bread, says the Lord.
Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia...

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Jews, 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ So Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

Homily

After a period of silent reflection, please stand
The Creed

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

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 human.
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

We pray to the Lord. 
Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table. 
In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body 
to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, 
spread throughout the world ... In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Here, where we recognize the presence of Christ, 
who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world 
and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed ... 
In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends 
to give us this meal of holy fellowship, 
listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, 
our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours ... 
In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Here, where we remember the night of Christ’s agony and trial, 
listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings 
through fear or pain or distress of many kinds ... In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven, 
listen as we pray for all who have trusted Christ’s promise 
to raise up on the last day those who eat his flesh and 
drink his blood ... In faith we pray: 
we pray to you our God. 

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts, 
the bread of God which comes down from heaven 
and gives life to the world, 
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.
Our Lord Jesus Christ says:
If, when you are bringing your gift to the altar,
you remember your brother or sister has a
grievance against you,
leave your gift where it lies before the altar.
Go, make peace;
and only then come and offer your gift.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
\textbf{and also with you.}
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

\textit{An offertory hymn may be sung}

\textbf{Preparation of the Altar}
\textbf{Taking of the Bread and Wine}

God our sustainer,
receive the gifts we bring before you,
and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. \textbf{Amen.}

Pray my brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

\textbf{May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,}
\textbf{for the praise and glory of his name,}
\textbf{for our good, and the good of all his holy church.}

\textbf{The Eucharistic Prayer}

The Lord be with you
\textbf{and also with you.}
Lift up your hearts.
\textbf{We lift them to the Lord.}
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
\textbf{It is right to give thanks and praise.}
It is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our great high priest. He offered himself to you as the Lamb without blemish, the acceptable gift that gives you perfect praise. **At the Last Supper, seated with his apostles, he left this memorial of his passion to bring us its saving power until the end of time.**

In this great sacrament you feed your people and strengthen them in holiness, so that throughout the world the human family may be enlightened by one faith and drawn together in one communion of love. **We come to this foretaste of your heavenly banquet to be transformed by your grace and restored in the image and likeness of the risen Christ.**

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise; we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessèd 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.
To you be glory and praise for ever.

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.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:
**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:

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

Please kneel or sit

The Lord’s Prayer

As our Saviour 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 for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the 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.

Agnus Dei

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

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessèd are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

An anthem and a communion hymn may be sung

Baptised and communicant members of other Christian churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion; and all are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing

Prayer after Communion

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
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.

Brief Notices

Blessing and Dismissal

May the Father, who fed his children with manna in the wilderness, strengthen you in your pilgrimage to the Promised Land. Amen.

May the Son, who gave his flesh for food and his blood for drink, keep you in eternal life and raise you up on the last day. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, help you discern the Lord’s body and empower you to proclaim his death until he comes. Amen.

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

Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God. A recessional hymn may be sung; the ministers and people depart.