



**St Peter's**  
Leckhampton Parish Church

# Holy Communion



**Sunday after Easter**

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*Notices and any banns of marriage are read.*

## **Hymn**

*Please stand to sing; the clergy and servers process in.*

## **Introduction**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit †  
**Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## **Welcome**

*Some words of welcome are given.*

## **We Say Sorry**

Let us confess to God those things which we have done wrong:

*Silence is kept.*

Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.

Lord, have mercy:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors, we are afraid to be seen as your followers.

Christ, have mercy:  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe.

Lord, have mercy:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

## We Are Forgiven

*We hear God's forgiveness:*

May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins †  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## We Praise God

*Please stand to sing the Gloria:*



Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo-ry to the Lord, Glo -ry to the Lord God Al-migh - ty.  
Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo-ry to the Lord, Glo -ry to the Lord God Al-migh - ty. Who

was and is and is to come, Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo - ry to the Lord!

## The Collect

*We 'collect' our prayers together in a special prayer for today which is introduced with 'Let us pray'. At the end, we all say:*

**Amen.**

## Reading

*Please be seated.*

*The response is:*

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Hymn**

*Please stand to sing and turn to face the gospel book as it is processed.*

## **The Gospel**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Then at the end:*

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

## **Sermon**

*Please sit.*

## **We Declare our Faith**

*Please stand.*

Let us declare our faith in the risen Lord Jesus:

**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.**

## **We Pray for Others**

*Please sit or kneel.*

*After each prayer, this or another response is used:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our Prayer.**

*Then, at the end:*

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

## **We Share the Peace**

*Please stand.*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you. Alleluia!**

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace.

*We all exchange a greeting of peace.*

## **Hymn**

*During which the altar is prepared.*

## We Celebrate

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

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 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.  
**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.  
**He opened his arms of love on 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.'*

**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.'*

**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 †

**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:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord, Ho - ly is the Lord God Al-migh - ty.  
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord, Ho - ly is the Lord God Al-migh - ty. Who  
was and is and is to come, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord!

*Please sit or kneel.*

## **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.**



## **The Bread is Broken**

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.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people  
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

## **The Communion**

*All are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.*

*You are very welcome to make your own decision as to whether to receive  
the bread alone or the bread and the wine.*

*Please don't dip your bread in the wine.*

*Please indicate if you are gluten free.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*We pray together:*

**God of Life,  
who for our redemption  
gave your only-begotten Son  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live  
with him in the joy of his risen life,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Final Hymn

*Please stand to sing.*

## The Blessing

May the risen Christ direct our lives in good works to the glory of God the Father.

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

**Amen.**

## We are Sent

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ, Amen. Alleluia!**

*The clergy and servers and depart.*

*An organ voluntary is played.*

*Please feel free to get up and leave your seats at any time.*

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*There is no collection during the service, but you can make an offering as you leave.*

***Please come to the Church Cottages for refreshments.***

