



St Peter's
Leckhampton Parish Church

Holy Communion



Sundays before Lent

Welcome to St. Peter's, Leckhampton

*If this is your first visit, you are particularly welcome and we hope you feel at home here. Please join in with the words in **bold**.*

Notices and any banns of marriage are read.

First Hymn

Please stand to sing.

The choir, servers and clergy enter.

Welcome

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Introduction

Some words of welcome and introduction are given.

Prayer of Preparation

We pray together:

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

We Say Sorry

The deacon invites us to confess our sins:

Let us bring before God those things which we have done wrong.

Silence is kept.

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

For behaving just how we wish, and not thinking of you.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

For failing you by what we do, think or say.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We are Forgiven

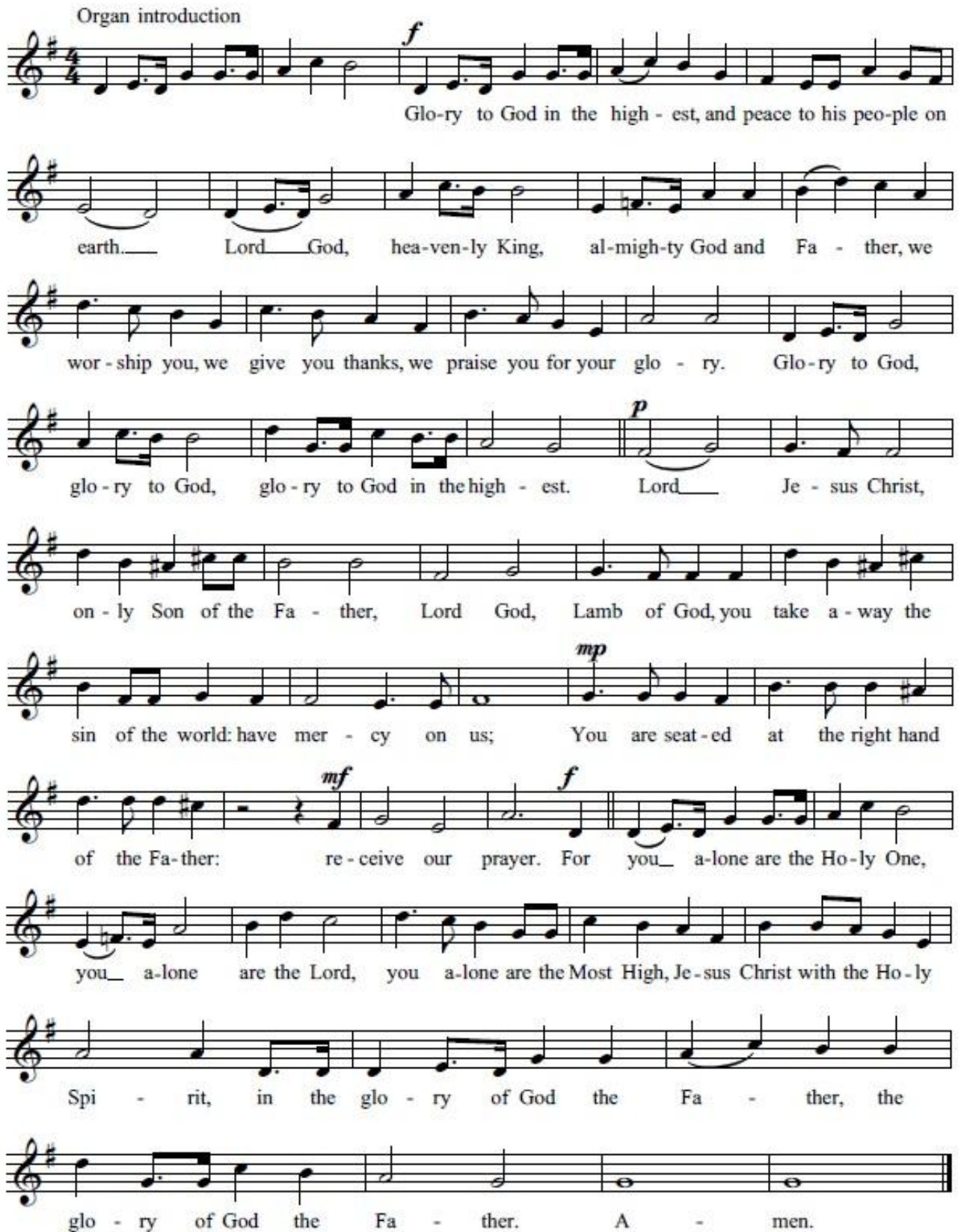
We hear God's forgiveness:

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.

We Praise God

Please stand to sing the Gloria:

Organ introduction



f Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God,
P glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
mp sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; You are seat - ed at the right hand
mf of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you *f* a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly
Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

The Collect

We 'collect' our prayers together in a special prayer for the day.

This is introduced with the words, 'Let us pray', at the end, we all say:
Amen.

Readings

Please sit.

At the end, 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

The choir sings the Alleluia, we all then repeat:

Organ introduction

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

- lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The deacon introduces 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.

We all sing again:

Organ introduction

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
- lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Sermon

Please sit.

We Declare our Faith

Let us declare our faith together in the words of the creed:

**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.

Christ is our peace; he has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross; we meet in his name and share in his peace.

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

The deacon says:

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

We all exchange a greeting of peace.

Hymn

Please stand to sing.

The bread and wine are placed onto the altar.

We Give Thanks

We hear the Eucharistic Prayer; taken from the Greek word 'eucharistos' (εὐχάριστος), meaning 'to give thanks'.

Please remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.



Lift up your hearts.

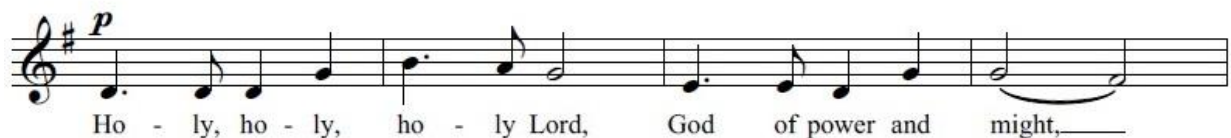
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:



Organ introduction

Bless - ed, bless - ed is he,
 Je - sus, the Son of God, he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Glo - ry be to God in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na.

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.

The deacon declares:

Great is the mystery of faith:

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.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel.

As 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.

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

Meaning 'Lamb of God', we sing together:

Organ introduction

Je - sus Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us. Je - sus
Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, Lamb of God, bear-er of our sins,
Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, Lamb of God, re -
deem-er of the world, Je - sus, Lamb of God, grant us peace.

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.

The Communion

All are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

*If you would rather receive a blessing, please keep your hands down
and your head bowed.*

The Choir will sing an anthem.

Prayer after Communion

We pray together:

**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.**

Final Hymn

Please stand to sing.

Blessing

This or another blessing is given:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

We are Sent

The deacon sends us out into the world:

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

The choir, servers and clergy 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 taken during the service, but you can make an offering as you leave.

If you would like to find out more about the services or any aspect of the life of St. Peter's, then please email stpetersleck@gmail.com

Please leave this service booklet in the church.

Please come to the church cottages for refreshments.

A Prayer for the Sundays before Lent

We give thanks, dear Lord,
for your saving goodness for us and for all people.
We thank you that you are with each one of us
as we walk life's highway.
That whether we feel spiritually elated
or face distress and tiredness,
you are our constant friend
and companion.
Amen.

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