

THE ABBEY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS PERSHORE



All Age Eucharist Pentecost

WE GATHER

Notices and Welcome

Hymn (See separate sheet for all hymns)

During which there is a procession of Choir and ministers

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All He is risen indeed! Alleluia.

The wind of God is blowing! The fire of God is blazing! The joy of God is flowing in this place!

This is the day when the Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit. It's a day of celebration and a day of adventure. It's a day of praise and a day of prayer. Let's imagine we are gathered with the followers of Jesus as they wait and pray, day after day.

(Silence for 30 seconds)

They were all together in one place, praying and waiting, praying and waiting, praying and waiting.

(Silence for 30 seconds)

Almighty God, help us today to be open to your Spirit, to hear your word, proclaim your glory, and celebrate the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

We say sorry

Sometimes we forget about God's Holy Spirit at work in our world. Sometimes we forget we forget to listen to God or to one another. Sometimes we are too lazy to understand and care for our world. In the stillness we come before God and ask his forgiveness.

(Invite people to turn slowly in a circle, looking round the world.)

Lord, we admit we neglect your creation and ignore the needs of the world. Fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

(Invite people to stand very still as if rooted to the spot.)

Lord, we admit that we do nothing when we should take action. Fill us with your spirit. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

(Invite people to close their eyes and become aware of what they can hear.)

Lord, we admit we forget to listen for your word. Fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

Collect for the day

WE LISTEN

Reading

After each reading we respond:

For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading

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

We listen to the Gospel reading.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Talk

WE RESPOND

God's Spirit is building us into God's people. Let's declare together the things we believe:

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

Breathe on us, God, with your Spirit (invite people to blow gently.)
Loving God, we pray for the life of the Church and for ourselves.
Help us to be open the work of your Spirit, taking us on an adventure as God's people. Be with all those who are leaders and give them boldness to lead people out. Help us in our own lives to have the courage to go where you are calling us to go, and to know that you are always with us. Lord, hear our prayer

All please.

Challenge us, God, with your Spirit (invite people to make flame movements with hands.)

Loving God, we pray for our world, and ask that your Spirit give strength to those who speak out for justice and wok for peace. We pray especially for the trouble spots in our world today and ask that you give men, women and children hope for the future.

Lord, hear our prayer

All please.

Teach us, God, by your Spirit (invite people to put hands to ears.)

Loving God, we pray for the lives of our families and our community. Help us to listen well to each other and to learn more about love in our lives. Give wisdom to all who teach and encourage others, especially remembering those who work in this place, in our places of learning and places of help.

Lord, hear our prayer

All please.

Heal us, God, by your Spirit (invite people to place hands on heart.)

Loving God, we pray for all those we know who need your healing and for those known only to you. Give strength to those who are struggling with physical pain and be close to those who are sad or alone. Help each of us to hear your Spirit and reach out in help to those around us. Lord, hear your prayer

All please.

Encourage us, God, by your Spirit (invite people to cup hands around mouths.)

Loving God we pray for ourselves, that you give us the confidence we need to share the good news of your love with those around us. Fill us with your Spirit today, so that we may grow more and more in the knowledge of your love.

Lord, hear our prayer

All please. Amen.

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Hymn

WE CELEBRATE

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

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 always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong.

You made us, and the whole universe, and filled your world with life. You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.

He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world, and clothe us with power from on high.

And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

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.

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

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.

The Breaking of the 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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

We all share in Communion

Prayer after Communion

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.

WE GO OUT

Hymn

Blessing

May God's Holy Sprit be in your life. May God's Holy Spirit be in our world. May God's Holy Spirit be love between us. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, this day and always.

All Amen.

We go into the world, filled with the Spirit to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory.
Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!

The Choir and ministers process out

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