

Holy Communion – Huyton Parish Church

February 18th 2018

Lent 1

The Gathering

The Greeting

The president greets the people

Grace mercy and peace

From God our Father

And the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Hymn 67

**Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here.**

**Come, bow before him now,
With reverence and fear.**

**In him no sin is found,
We stand on Holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here.**

**Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
Our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around.**

**Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
In faith receive from him.
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.**

David J Evans □ 1986 Kingsway's Thankyou Music

Prayer of Preparation

My brothers and sisters as we prepare to meet the risen Christ at Easter, we pray for a change of heart that we might turn away from the sin of self-indulgence.

May the Holy Spirit give us the strength to act justly, the courage to love God and neighbour more tenderly and the faith to walk humbly with you our God.

Silent reflection

As the community of faith in this place, we are mindful that we are called:

To walk in Christ's strength

To share Christ's fullness and riches

To share Christ's light and to reflect his beauty.

May our lives become more deeply rooted in prayer and self-sacrifice and a willingness to share, in order that Christ's reign of justice might more fully flourish in our hearts. **Amen**

Hymn 298

**I am a new creation,
no more in condemnation,
Here in the grace of God I stand.**

**My heart is overflowing
my love just keeps on growing,
here in the grace of God I stand.**

**And I will praise you, Lord,
yes I will praise you, Lord,
and I will sing of all that you have done**

**A joy that knows no limit,
a lightness in my spirit -
here in the grace of God I stand.**

Dave Bilborough 1983

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The Prayer for this week

The Collect is said.

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading *Genesis 2: 15-17,3: 1-7*

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading *Romans 5:12-19*

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 532

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see
Jesus**

To reach out and touch him

And say that we love him;

Open our ears, Lord,

and help us to listen,

O, open our eyes, Lord,

We want to see Jesus.

Robert Cull (b. 1949)

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Gospel Reading *Luke 13: 31-end*

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon JAS

Creed

Let us declare our faith in God.

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. *cf Ephesians 3*

Hymn 66

Be still and know that I am God.

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Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.

In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.

In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.

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Prayers of Intercession

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Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of

your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have
peace with God through our Lord Jesus
Christ, who has given us access to his
grace

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

*The gifts of the people may be gathered and
presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine
are placed upon it. The president takes the bread
and wine.*

Hymn 1

Abba Father, let me be

yours and yours alone.

May my will for ever be

More and more your own.

Never let my heart grow cold,

never let me go,

Abba Father, let me be

yours and yours alone.

Dave Bilborough

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The Great Thanksgiving Prayer

The president says

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 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:
**Holy , holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
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.
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.
Do this to remember me.

**Christ has died:
Christ is 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. Amen.**

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

The president breaks the consecrated 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.**

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.

*The president and people receive communion.
Authorized words of distribution are used and the
communicant replies*

Amen.

*During the distribution hymns and anthems may be
sung.*

*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.

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread
from heaven; by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love: teach us always
to hunger for him who is the true and living
bread, and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us
home.**

**Dying and living, he declared your
love, gave us grace, and opened the
gate of glory.**

**May we who share Christ's body live
his risen life; we who drink his cup
bring life to others; we whom the
Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set
before us, so we and all your children
shall be free, and the whole earth live
to praise your name; through Christ
our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn 332

**I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord, of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Dan Schutte, based on Isaiah 6

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Based on 2 Corinthians 13:14

The Dismissal

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross and
follow him: and the blessing of God
almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you
always. **Amen.**

A minister says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

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