

Parish of St Laurence, Northfield

Holy Communion for Ordinary Time

According to Order 1 in Common Worship



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Welcome

The Sacrament of Communion is placed at the centre of church life at St Laurence Church.



In celebrating Holy Communion together we obey Jesus' command to 'do this in remembrance of me'. Those who are baptized in any Christian Church and whose practice is to receive Holy Communion are welcome to receive at this service. Alternatively, anyone is welcome to receive a blessing.

St Laurence Church has a toilet with baby-changing facilities. It is situated beyond the choir vestry; children **must always** be accompanied by an adult if they enter the vestry area. If you struggle with steps it may be easier to approach the toilet from the outside door – please ask a church warden for help.



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Church/Parish Name: **Northfield St Laurence**

PGS Parish Code: **020602050**

Welcome

A **Hymn** may be sung



Please remain standing if you are able

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

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Prayer of Preparation

All **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.**



Confession

The minister introduces the Confession

All

**Lord God, we have sinned
against you;
we have done evil in your
sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according
to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore to us the joy of
your salvation; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Or

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ,
we confess that we have
sinned in thought, word
and deed.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart.
We have not loved our
neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what
we have been, help us to
amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy, and walk
humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**



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.**





We say or sing the **Gloria**
See next page for the music for
this version

**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.**

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to the Father.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to the Father.**

To him be glory for ever.

To him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Son of the Father.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Son of the Father.**

To him be glory for ever. etc

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to the Spirit.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to the Spirit.**

To him be glory for ever. etc

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Hymn 966

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Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord
God, heav - en - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, We
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our pray'r, re - ceive, re - ceive our pray'r.
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A -
men. A - men.

The Collect (Special Prayer for this service)

Let us pray (remain standing)

At the end we all say **Amen**



The Liturgy of the Word

Bible Reading(s)

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God



A **Chant** or **Hymn** may be sung



Gospel Reading

Please stand if you are able

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ



Sermon

The sermon will be followed by a short time of silence

Please stand for the **Nicene Creed** or the **Affirmation of Faith**

Let us profess our faith together.....

**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
man.**

**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 ...**

**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.**

**.... 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.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand if you are able

The Peace

The President may use an introduction followed by: -

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

Let us greet one another with a sign of peace.

The Preparation of the Table *during which a Hymn may be sung*



The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Taking of the Bread and Wine



Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
Blessed be God for ever.

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

(Prayer G)

- The Lord be with you
All And also with you
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.

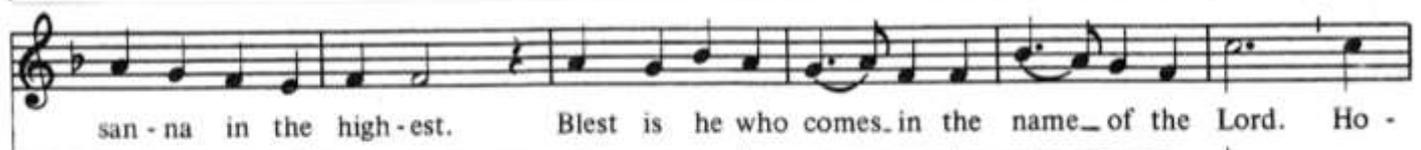
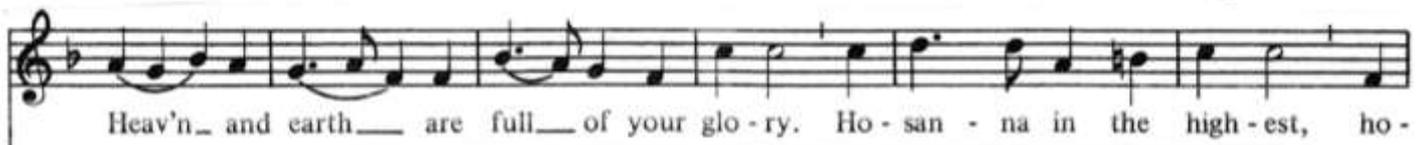
Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.



From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

- 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.



How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he 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.



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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.



Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread and
drink this cup, we proclaim your
death, Lord Jesus, until you come
in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.



Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.



As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.



Bring us at the last with Laurence and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

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

The Sanctus Bell is rung



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.

We sit or kneel to say or sing

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us (repeat)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**



1.2. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
SOPR. DESCANT
3. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
grant us peace.
Slower
sins of the world: grant us peace.

Giving of Holy 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 (*whether spiritually or physically*) in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The president and people receive communion.

If you are baptized (christened) and want to grow closer to God you are welcome to receive Holy Communion..

Alternatively, you are invited to receive a blessing.



To indicate that you would like to receive a blessing

Gluten-free wafers are available.

Please ask the person administering bread.

If you would like communion brought to you in your pew, please let a steward know.

During the administration of communion, hymns may be sung.



Prayers for personal use during the administration of Holy Communion

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord.

It has been made ready for those who love Him
and who want to love Him more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often

and you who have not been for a long time,

You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.

Come, not because I invite you:

it is our Lord.

It is His will that those who want Him should meet Him here.

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Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation

be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

form us into the likeness of Christ

and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

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We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.

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We cannot handle your generosity, Lord.

In some ways we would feel better
if your love were rationed out
according to our merits and deserving.

But you insist on loving us
even when we wound and reject you.

And you teach us to love both friends and enemies,
as you yourself did.

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Lord Jesus, courteous host,
Help us to respect each other
as 'com-panions' - literally, 'bread-sharers',
and as fellow members of your body.

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Drink hope with this wine;
... As a result, you will be intoxicated with charity

Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179)

Post Communion Prayers

Let us pray

*The President may say
the post-communion
prayer*

**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.**



The Dismissal

The Notices and Banns of Marriage

Please stand if you are able

The Blessing (see next page)

A **Hymn** may be sung 

Please turn to face the centre of the church as the clergy recess

The Dismissal

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



If you have any questions about the service or the Christian faith please speak to one of the ministers or one of the church wardens or welcomers.

Refreshments are often served after the mid-morning Sunday service.

All welcome.

There is no charge but smiles and donations are welcome!



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