



St Laurence
Northfield

Holy Communion for Ordinary Time

According to Order 1 in Common Worship

during Covid19 restrictions



Hearing loop available



Please: no unauthorised photography or recording during worship



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Welcome

The Sacrament of Communion is placed at the centre of church life at St Laurence Church. For many, the intimate act of sharing the bread and the wine, given freely to us by Christ our Saviour, is central to our coming together with each other and with God, however, during the Covid19 pandemic we are having to adapt this service in accordance to Government guidance, which is being regularly updated.



This may mean:

- You must wear a face-covering unless exempt
- Movement around the church will be restricted.
- Children **must always** be accompanied by an adult throughout their time in church.
- You will not be able to sit in your preferred seat alongside friends and family.
- We will 'live-stream' and/or record the service. The focus will be the altar. You may be seen in the 'live-stream' as you come forward to receive HC but this is edited out of the YouTube version. If you do not wish to be seen please request Holy Communion be brought to you
- There will not be any singing or speaking loudly but we can now hum!
- The administration of Holy Communion will be bread only and you will need to follow the one-way system back to your seat.
- If you have difficulty with movement we will bring Communion to you.
- The toilet will be available but please wait inside the church if it is engaged.
- If you feel unwell during the service or start to cough repeatedly please leave immediately, return home and seek appropriate medical advice.
- Please note that we are retaining the information required to enable the NHS test and trace system for the required length of time.
- You will be asked to leave church in a certain order and by a certain route, and maintaining social distancing throughout.

We are sorry that it has to be like this but it is essential that we all 'love our neighbour' by abiding by the current restrictions.

Welcome

Short procession in and President explains 'things' and especially responding quietly

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.

Hymn Music

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

Short silence for reflection

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 will probably omit the Gloria or the organ will play an Alleluia

**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

The Collect

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



Short hymn or chant – probably organ only

Gospel Reading

Please stand if you are able – no procession

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 quietly 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.

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Please sit or kneel

The prayers usually include these concerns and may follow this sequence:

The Church of Christ

Creation, human society, the Sovereign and those in authority

The local community

Those who suffer

The communion of saints



These or other responses may be used

All Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us
 hear our prayer **Lord graciously hear us**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name;
 thy kingdom come;
 thy will be done;
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation;
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 the power and the glory,
 for ever and ever. 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 in peace.

We turn to one another and bow/wave etc

The Preparation of the Table

We all sanitize our hands.

If you haven't any sanitizer with you, there are small bottles near the entrance. Please leave in church after use.

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 proclaim 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.**



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.

*Starting from the back of church, we come up to receive Holy Communion
(bread only) or a blessing. Please keep your mask on and maintain social
distancing.*

*Stretch out your hands to receive the bread but do not eat it yet
OR to indicate you would like a blessing place an arm across your chest.*

Please follow the one-way system to return to your seat.

If you would prefer communion to be brought to you in your pew, please let a warden know.

When everyone has received bread the priest says

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

We then all consume the bread together and the priest receives wine on behalf of us all.

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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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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Post Communion Prayers

Let us pray



*The President may say
the post-communion
prayer for the day*

**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

Hymn Music

The Blessing



The Dismissal

We turn to face one another and wave

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All In the name of Christ. Amen

Please leave the church as directed with minimal conversation inside church and maintaining social distancing.

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By far the best way is to donate by bacs: one off or better still by standing order. No fees are charged on transfers and you can Gift Aid it if you complete a form.

See Treasurer Elaine Clements steeclem@blueyonder.co.uk 07786 012961

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