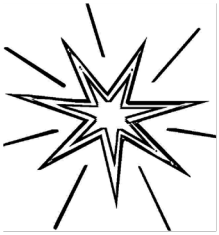
The Benefice of Tetbury, Beverston, Long Newnton and Shipton Moyne

The Order for the Celebration of

Holy Communion in Epiphany



HYMN

Welcome to our service today. The hymn numbers are given on the display boards around the church, and we use the blue "Common Praise" hymn books in the pews. Please stand as the organ introduces our first hymn.

THE GREETING

President In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

President The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

Welcome

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.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

President The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ. By the mercies of God, let us confess our sins and present ourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to him.

All **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.

President 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.

All **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All sing **Glory to God, Glory to God,**
Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

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

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

THE COLLECT

The President invites us to pray in silence with the words, let us pray, and then says the prayer for the day (The Collect). We all respond "Amen".

BIBLE READINGS

We listen to one or two readings from Scripture before the Gospel reading. At the end of each reading we respond:

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

GOSPEL READING

We remain standing as the Gospel is introduced with this greeting:

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

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

And at the end of the Gospel:

President This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

THE CREED

All **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
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

Please sit or kneel for our time of prayer. Our Intercessor leads us with prayers for: The Church, the World, our local community, those who are sick and those who have died

After each prayer, we respond:

Int Lord, in your mercy
All **hear our prayer.**
(or)
Int Lord, hear us
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

The prayers end with these words:

Int Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers**
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

The children join us then we stand for the Peace.

President Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, everything has become new. *(2 Corinthians 5:17)*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

President Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Everyone is invited to exchange a sign of peace, shaking hands with those around them with the words: "Peace be with you."

HYMN

During our hymn, the gifts of the people are presented, the table is prepared as bread and wine are placed upon it.

TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

President Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

President Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our Spiritual drink.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer.

President The Lord is here.
All **His Spirit is with us.**

President Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**
President All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.
In the coming of the magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.
In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.
In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.
Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

All sing **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

✞ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying
Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying
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

All sing **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

And so, Father,
calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection

and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of
[Names and] all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All sing **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please sit or kneel.

President Trusting in God's promises,
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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

President 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 the one bread.

AGNUS DEI

All sing **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,**
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

President 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.

All are welcome to come forward and share in the sacrament of Holy Communion, either to take the bread and wine if this is your usual practice in church, or to receive a blessing by the laying on of hands.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

We remain sitting or kneeling. The President leads us in prayer.

All **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 President reads Banns and gives out the notices for the week.

HYMN

THE CONCLUSION

We remain standing for the conclusion of our time of worship.

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

President Christ the Son of God perfect in you
the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts
with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

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

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER THE SERVICE
FOR TEA, COFFEE AND JUICE
AT THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH