



Lillington Parish Church



A service of  
**HOLY COMMUNION**  
on-line



“Do this in remembrance of me”



## Welcome

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

**All Amen.**

## Entrance Hymn

*The first hymn is announced and the choir,  
servers and clergy process in.*



## The Gathering

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

**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

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
The first commandment is this:  
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'  
There is no other commandment greater than these.  
On these two commandments hang all the law  
and the prophets.

**All Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*The Deacon invites everyone to confess their sins in these or other words.*

Deacon God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## **Absolution**

Priest 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.**

## Kyrie Eleison

*In Advent and Lent the Kyrie Eleison is said.*

Lord, have mercy.  
**All Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.  
**All Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.  
**All Lord, have mercy.**



## Gloria in Excelsis

**All** 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.

## The Collect

*The Celebrant 'collects' the prayers together with the prayer for the day and then invites the congregation to sit.*

# The Liturgy of the Word



## The Reading/s

*A member of the congregation reads from the Bible.*

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



## THE GOSPEL HYMN

### The Gospel Reading

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

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



## The Sermon



All

## **The Creed**

**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.**



## The Prayers

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

*These responses may be used.*

All Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

(or)

All Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*At the end the person leading the prayers will say:*

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament



### The Peace

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

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*During this hymn a collection is brought with the bread  
and wine to the altar to be our gifts offered to God.*



## Preparation of the Table

*When the altar is ready the Celebrant prays:*

Priest 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.**

Priest 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 for us the cup of salvation.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you  
and of your own do we give you.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (B)

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

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

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Priest Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,  
your living Word through whom you have created all  
things.



Priest He was sent by you in your great goodness  
to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit  
he was born of the blessed Virgin,  
and went about among us.  
He opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

*Proper Preface, when appropriate.*

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

*The Congregation sit for this next part of the prayer.*



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.

Priest 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.

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

Priest 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 Mary Magdalene  
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. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Deacon  
All

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray  
**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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

Priest

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.**

## Agnus Dei

**All** **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

*The Celebrant gives an invitation to communion.*

Priest 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 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. Amen.**

## People receive Communion

*All who wish then come forward to receive Holy Communion.*

Response The body of Christ, given for you.  
**Amen.**

Response The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**



## After Communion

All Almighty God, we thank you  
for feeding us and blessing 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 Notices



### HYMN

## The Blessing

Priest The peace of God, which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

## The Dismissal

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

*Tea and coffee are usually served after the service  
and you are very welcome to join us.*

## Hymns

### 1. Ye servant of God 841

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;  
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

### 2. Let there be love shared among us 430

Let there be love shared among us,  
Let there be love in our eyes.  
May now Your love sweep this nation.  
Cause us, oh Lord, to arise.  
Give us a fresh understanding,  
Of brotherly love that is real,  
Let there be love shared among us,  
Let there be love.

Let there be love shared among us,  
Let there be love in our eyes.  
May now Your love sweep this nation.  
Cause us, oh Lord, to arise.  
Give us a fresh understanding,  
Of sisterly love that is real,  
Let there be love shared among us, Let there be love

### **3. Abide with me 6**

Abide with me:  
Fast falls the even tide;  
The darkness deepens:  
Lord, with me abide!  
When other helpers fail,  
And comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless,  
O abide with me!

Swift to its close  
Ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim;  
Its glories pass away;  
Change and decay  
in all Around I see;  
O Thou who changest Not,  
abide with me!

I need Thy presence  
Ev'ry passing hour:  
What but Thy grace  
Can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like Thyself  
my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine,  
Lord abide with me!

I fear no foe,  
with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight,  
and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting?  
Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still,  
if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross  
before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom  
and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord,  
abide with me.

#### **4. Love divine 491**

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav'n to earth come down:  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown:  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.



Finish then thy new creation  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

## Readings

### Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.)<sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship<sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.<sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it."<sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?"<sup>31</sup> He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.<sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth."<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?"<sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.<sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?"<sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.<sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing.<sup>40</sup> But Philip found

himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

### **John 15:1-8**

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. <sup>2</sup> He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I

abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

