

# An order for Holy Communion

Sunday, 27th January 2019 – 4th Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome! If children want them, there are activities that take place elsewhere during the service - just come forward at the end of the first hymn to join the others. During the service, the choir sings some parts to help us to pray and the setting for the Mass today is **Mass for five voices (Byrd)**

*Before the hymn, silence is kept. Stand for hymn number 234 (second tune)*

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

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

**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.**

*The minister invites everyone to recall their shortcomings.  
After a few moments we say together the prayer of confession.*

**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.**

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. Lord have mercy.**

*The Choir sings the Gloria:*

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*The Collect*

**God our creator,  
who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness:  
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the  
darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your  
people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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**

*Sit for readings from the Old and New Testament and then stand to sing hymn number 415 (second tune). At the end the gospel is announced.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end of the reading:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit for the Sermon after which silence may be kept. We process to the font for the baptism of **Sophie Freya Steibelt** (on page 7) singing **hymn 368***

*Sit or kneel to pray for the World, our Community and Ourselves*

*During the prayers this response may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy

**hear our prayer** and at the end:

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Silence may be kept after which we stand for the Peace*

*The minister introduces the peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Hymn 362 (tune 185) during which a collection is taken for the work of our church and the bread and wine for Communion are brought to the altar.*

## **Holy Communion**

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

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

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

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.**

*The priest says the first part of the eucharistic prayer, before the Choir sings:*

Holy, holy, holy,

Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high!

[Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!]

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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 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. Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and

heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

*Sit or kneel for The Lord's Prayer*

**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 priest breaks the consecrated bread with the words:*

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.**

*Silence may be kept.*

*The priest invites everyone to receive 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.

*Everyone is welcome to come to the altar to receive communion or a blessing. The sidespeople will direct you.*

*The Choir sings*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

followed by the motet **O salutaris hostia** (Pierre de la Rue)

*O saving Victim! opening wide                      All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
The gate of heaven to man below,                For evermore, blest One in Three;  
Our foes press hard on every side,              O grant us life that shall not end  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow        In our true native land with thee.*

*The priest prays the post communion prayer:*

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

*Then we say together:*

**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.**

*Notices which is followed by Hymn number 206*

*The Blessing after which the minister says:*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## NOTICES AND NEWS

Sun 3 Feb	6.00pm Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)
Sun 10th:	9.30am Baptism of Flynn Rigby, Timothy Meads and David Paul Mills
Mon 11 Feb	1.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Sarah McKenna (violin)
Mon 18 Feb	1.15pm Lunchtime Concert Endelienta Baroque
Thu 21st:	11am-2pm Thumbs-up it's Thursday Activity Day – Spring Crafts

### **Children's Society**

A total of £435.32 was collected from boxes paid in in December and we thank all contributors to this worthy cause. There are still a number outstanding but all empty boxes are available for collection in the office. Please pick up yours and

start filling it again! Geoff Warman has kindly offered to take over the role of co-ordinator. Please contact him with any queries and if you would like to take a box. He can be contacted on 07952874244 or [gpwarman@gmail.com](mailto:gpwarman@gmail.com). Big thanks to Phil Walker for all his work in recent years.

**All Saints – Kingston University 'Finding ideas in surprising places' Book Group meets Monday 4 February 7pm – 8:30 pm**, with drinks from 6:30 pm. Martin Corner introduces Aleksandr Solzhenityn's "One day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich." KU Main Penrhyn Road Building, Room 0031. More information from [lgpacker123@gmail.com](mailto:lgpacker123@gmail.com), 020 8549 1960.

### **Just War Theory at the Quaker meeting house**

Prof Martyn Frost will give a talk on Just War Theory on Monday 28th January at 7.30pm in the Quaker Meeting house next to the Kingfisher Leisure Centre. Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

### **Winter Night shelter**

As in previous years we will be hosting the winter night shelter on Monday nights in February and March. Volunteers to help serve food either in the evening or morning, or to sleep overnight will be needed. Let us know if you think you can help.

### **Understanding Islam**

Another course run by the excellent Chris Hewer in the Guildhall 22nd Feb 9.30-4.30. All welcome.

### **Welcome to our new choir stalls!**

After a long wait and quite a struggle we have new choir stalls. Elements of lighting for them will be installed next week we hope. PLEASE NOTE (if you happened to be involved in an event) they should not be moved without the Rector's permission!

### **Deanery Funerals Administrator needed**

A part time job working from home. Speak to Jonathan if you are interested.

### **Quiet Day**

There are some spaces available for a Lenten Quiet Day arranged by St John the Evangelist to be held at St Michael's Convent in Gerard's Cross on Saturday 23rd March from 10.30-4.30 (£15). There is also the opportunity to stay the night (£45). To book a place please contact Rev Vicky Maunder on [vicar@stjohnskingston.co.uk](mailto:vicar@stjohnskingston.co.uk).

# The Baptism

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome Sophie and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

**All - With the help of God, we will.**

Parents and godparents, the Church receives Sophie with joy. Today we are trusting God for her growth in faith. Will you pray for her, draw her by your example into the community of faith and walk with her in the way of Christ?

**With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism Sophie begins her journey in faith. You speak for her today. Will you care for her, and help her to take her place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

**With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore, I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

**We turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?

**We repent of our sins.**

Do you renounce evil?

**We renounce evil.**

Let us affirm, together with Sophie our common faith:

Do we believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**All-We believe and trust in God.**

Do we believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

**All - We believe and trust in God.**

Do we believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**All- -We believe and trust in God.**

This is the faith of the church.

**All - This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

*The priest asks for God's blessing on the water and then says:*

Praise God who made heaven and earth

**Who keeps his promise for ever.**

*The priest then baptises **Sophie.***

I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

I sign you with the sign of the cross. Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified but fight valiantly under his banner against sin and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life. **Amen**

Receive this light of Christ. God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.

**Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.**

May God who has received you by Baptism into his church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children together of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.**

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