

The Advent Eucharist

¶ The Gathering

The Notices are usually given by the Warden on duty after which please stand for the opening hymn

Opening Hymn



The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.**

All

Words of welcome and introduction are said

The Advent Wreath *may be lit here*

(The children's groups, if present, gather in the centre of the church to leave for their own ministry of the Word)

Prayers of Penitence

We are invited to confess our sins. Please remain standing

The president leads the sentences of confession, each ending with the response

.... Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy

All

.... Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy

All

.... Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy

All



The following may then be sung

**Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy**

The Absolution is given

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit for the **Reading**

At the end the reader may say

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

All

Please stand for the **Gradual Hymn and Gospel**

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia.

All

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Glory to you, O Lord.

All

The Gospel is read

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

All



Sermon

The Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

Amen

cf Philippians 2.6-11

Either of these responses may be used
(Maranatha is aramaic for Come Lord Jesus)

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Maranatha
Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

(see Rev 22.20)

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

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand for **The Peace**

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

All



Let us offer one another a sign of peace.
All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn *during which the collection is taken*

Preparation of the Table

As this bread was scattered and then gathered and made one; so may your Church be gathered into your Kingdom.

All **Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

Wisdom has built her a house; she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

All **Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

Please remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayers A, D or G)

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The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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 president praises God for his mighty acts
and all respond*

**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 prayer continues and includes
one of the following acclamations*

Praise to you,
Lord Jesus:

**Dying you
destroyed
our death,
rising you
restored our life:
Lord Jesus,
come in glory.**

This is our
story:

**This is our song:
Hosanna in
the highest**

*(this response
may be repeated
during the prayer)*

*The Prayer continues and leads into the Doxology,
to which all respond*

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

Please KNEEL or SIT

*We have a time for private prayer, reflection
and meditation. The children's groups rejoin
us for the Lord's Prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer *is said*

*Let us pray with confidence as
our Saviour has taught us*

**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.**

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*As our Saviour taught us
so we pray*

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today
our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into
temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power, and the
glory are yours now
and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

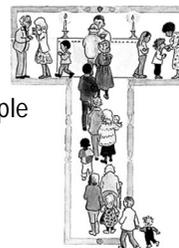
Agnus Dei

**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

God's holy gifts for God's holy people

**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**



*You are encouraged to come forward straight away
to receive communion or a blessing (following the choir if
there is one!)*

During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.

Prayer after Communion

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**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly
banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Please stand for the Final Hymn

Acclamation

With love and compassion,
come, Lord Jesus.

With judgement and mercy,
come, Lord Jesus.

In power and glory,
come, Lord Jesus.

In wisdom and truth,
come, Lord Jesus.



The Clarendon Team Prayer

**Lord God,
the source of our unity,
faith and love:
bless the Clarendon Team,
that sharing our gifts
we may proclaim the gospel
and reveal your glory
In Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Blessing

The president gives a blessing, then a minister says



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

Please do not take this order of service away with you