



# Wychwood Benefice

Ordinary Time  
Holy Communion  
Presidents copy

## **Greeting**

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

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**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.**

## **Prayer of Penitence**

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.

**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.**

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.

### **Gloria**

You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
**to receive glory and honour and power.**

For you have created all things,  
**and by your will they have their being.**

You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,  
**and by your blood you ransomed for God  
saints from every tribe and language and nation.**

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our  
God,  
**and they will reign with you on earth.**

To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
**be blessing and honour, glory and might, for ever and  
ever.**

**Amen.**

*Revelation 4.11; 5.9,10,13*

## **Collect**

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

## **First Reading** Romans 6:12-end

*Paul urges his listeners not to succumb to sinful ways, since they are not under law but under grace. Former slaves to sin have become slaves of righteousness and God's free gift is eternal life in Christ.*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel** Matthew 10:40-end

*Jesus explains that anyone who welcomes one of his disciples receives Jesus himself and, by extension, his heavenly Father. Even the smallest gesture of kindness will be rewarded.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Creed**

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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.**

## **Sermon**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*which may end*

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

### **The Peace**

God is love and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

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

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

**Amen.**

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.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise forever. 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 sing your praise:

**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.**

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 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:

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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**

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.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**



## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

**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 Blessing**

May God give to you and all those you love his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. Amen

## **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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