

The Blessing

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Giving of the Candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

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

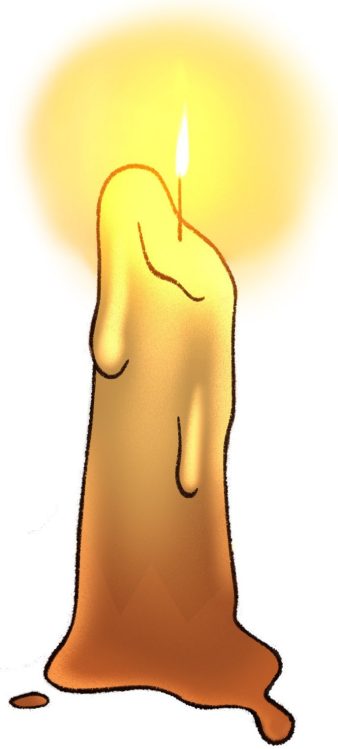
Go in the light and peace of Christ.
All Thanks be to God.

Hymn



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St Paul's, Egham Hythe

Holy Communion with Adult Baptism



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

Welcome to our service today,
especially if you are new or here for the first time.

If you need any help finding your way through the service
do ask one of the people handing out the books at the back.

You may find it helpful to spend a little time
in quiet prayer or reflection before the service begins.
Please pray for those helping to lead worship today.

If you would like to find out more about baptism (being christened)
please talk to one of the clergy after the service.



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Common Worship

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This service uses Eucharistic Prayer E

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms and bring
us with all the saints to feast at your
table in heaven. Through Christ, and
with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory
are yours, O loving Father, for ever
and ever.

All Amen



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.**

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.**

The following may be sung

**Worthy, worthy, worthy
is the Lord
Worthy is the Lord God Almighty:
Worthy, worthy, worthy
is the Lord
Worthy is the Lord God Almighty:
who was, and is, and is to come;
Worthy, worthy, worthy
is the Lord.**

*The president says this or another invitation
to communion*

Draw near with faith. Receive the body
of our Lord 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.

Prayer after Communion

*The Post Communion prayer is said after
which we pray together:*

**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.**

Notices

Offertory Hymn

This or another prayer may be used

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord
Holy is the Lord God Almighty:
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord
Holy is the Lord God Almighty:
who was, and is, and is to come;
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**



We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All **Lord, by your cross
and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Hymn *(we stand)*

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Introduction to our theme

Collect

A special prayer for the day

Reading *(we sit)*

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

Gospel Reading *(we stand)*

The Gospel is announced as follows

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

and at the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Talk

Hymn



The minister addresses the congregation

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 N and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

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

The candidate(s) stand

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 reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

Answer: **I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

Answer: **I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

Answer: **I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

Answer: **I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

Answer: **I come to Christ.**

The minister makes the sign of the cross on each candidate's forehead saying

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All: Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world, and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**



The minister and candidates gather at the baptismal font.

A Prayer over the Water

Praise God, who made heaven and earth.

All: Who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.

Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptise into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, they may be cleansed from sin and born again. Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**



The Profession of Faith

Let us affirm, together with those who are being baptised, our common faith in Jesus Christ.

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

All: I believe and trust in him.

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

All: I believe and trust in him.

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

All: I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church:

All: This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Baptism

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

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. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

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

We may use the following response:

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

At the end we may use this response:

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Welcome and Peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: *N and N*, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

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

The president may introduce the peace with this or another suitable sentence.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.