

## The Celebration of the Lords Supper

(Congregational responses are in **bold** type)

### **Music – Listen and reflect**

### **SERVICE NOTICES**

#### **THE GATHERING** – *Please stand*

Let us acknowledge God's presence  
with us now.

The Lord is here

**His Spirit is with us.**

Loving Lord,  
Open our hearts to your presence,  
Open our ears to your voice  
Open our eyes to see your kingdom  
Here in this place,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **WE MAKE OUR PEACE WITH OUR NEIGHBOUR**

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

*We greet one another with a sign of peace*

#### **Psalm 86**

Teach me your way, O Lord,  
that I may walk in your truth;  
give me an undivided heart  
to revere your name.  
I give thanks to you, O Lord my God,  
with my whole heart,  
and I will glorify your name for ever.  
For great is your steadfast love towards me

#### **HYMN**

God is love: his the care,  
tending each, ev'rywhere,  
God is love, all is there!  
Jesus came to show him,  
that we all might know him!  
*Sing aloud, loud, loud!*  
*sing aloud, loud, loud!*  
*God is good! God is truth!*  
*God is beauty! Praise him!*

None can see God above;  
Jesus shows how to love;  
thus may we Godward move,  
Joined as sisters, brothers  
Finding Him in others.

To our Lord praise we sing,  
light and life, friend and King,  
coming down, love to bring,  
pattern for our duty,  
showing God in beauty. *Percy Dearmer*

### **WE MAKE OUR PEACE WITH GOD**

*After some introductory words the minister we say*

**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.  
Thank you that in your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
you have forgiven all that is past  
Grant that we may evermore remain in him  
and he in us  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The leader declares God's forgiveness*

### **CREED from Colossians 1**

**Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn over all creation.  
For by him all things were created: things in  
heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or powers or rulers or  
authorities;  
all things were created by him and for him.  
He is before all things,  
and in him all things hold together.  
And he is the head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning and the firstborn from  
among the dead, so that in everything  
he might have the supremacy.  
For God was pleased to have  
all his fullness dwell in him,  
and through him to reconcile to himself all  
things, whether things on earth or things in  
heaven, by making peace through his blood,  
shed on the cross.**

### **WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

#### **Reading: Matthew 13.24-30,36-43**

Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to

go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

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

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN**

The kingdom of God  
Is justice and joy,  
For Jesus restores  
What sin would destroy;  
God's power and glory  
In Jesus we know,  
And here and hereafter  
The Kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God  
Is mercy and grace,  
The lepers are cleansed,  
The sinners find place,  
The outcast are welcomed  
God's banquet to share,  
And hope is awakened  
In place of despair.

The kingdom of God  
Is challenge and choice,  
Believe the good news,  
Repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners  
Brought Christ to his cross,  
Our crisis of judgement  
For gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come,  
The gift and the goal,

**In Jesus begun,  
In heaven made whole;  
The heirs of the kingdom  
Shall answer his call,  
And all things cry glory  
To God all in all!** *Bryn Austin Rees (Tune Hanover.*

**THE PRAYERS** - *This response may be used*

Your kingdom come,  
**Your will be done.**

*Ending... on earth as in heaven. 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.**

### **SONG**

**Build Your kingdom here  
Let the darkness fear  
Show Your mighty hand  
Heal our streets and land  
Set Your church on fire  
Win this nation back  
Change the atmosphere  
Build Your kingdom here  
We pray**

**Come set Your rule and reign  
In our hearts again  
Increase in us we pray  
Unveil why we're made  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope  
Like wildfire in our very souls  
Holy Spirit come invade us now  
We are Your Church  
And we need Your power  
In us**

**We seek Your kingdom first  
We hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives  
For You're our joy and prize  
To see the captive hearts released  
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause**

**We are Your church  
And we pray revive  
This earth (We're prayin' for revival)**

***Build Your kingdom here.....***

**Unleash Your kingdom's power  
Reaching the near and far  
No force of hell can stop  
Your beauty changing hearts  
You made us for much more than this  
Awake the kingdom seed in us  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ  
We are Your church  
Oh, and we are the hope  
On earth**

***Build Your kingdom here....***

*Songwriters: Chris Llewellyn / Gareth Gilkeson / Will Herron (Rend Collective)*

### **THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

*The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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.**

**...Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

*The president breaks the consecrated 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.**  
Every time we eat this bread  
and drink this cup  
**we proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.**

*Anyone who accepts Jesus as their Lord and Saviour and would normally participate in their own church is welcome to come and receive the bread and wine.*

### **SONG**

**There's a place that we're made for  
Just beyond what we have known  
In a realm still yet unseen  
Still yet unseen**

**There's a place where all is right  
No more dark, there's only light  
The things of earth grow strangely dim  
Strangely dim**

***On the earth, as it is in heaven  
Let it be here with us right now  
Where Your word is fulfilled  
And Your glory's revealed  
Let it be here with us right now***

**There's a place where sickness bows  
Hope's restored and joy abounds  
With shouts of praise the only sound  
The only sound!**

***On the earth, as it is in heaven....***

**We have this confidence  
Though we don't see it yet  
Your Kingdom will be fully known  
With hope, we'll watch and pray  
Waiting that coming day  
But here and now before Your throne (Repeat)**

***On the earth, as it is in heaven...***

**Oh, let it be here with us right now!  
Oh, let it be here with us right now  
Let it be**

*Words and Music by Corey Voss*

### **THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

**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**

### **SONG**

**Now thank we all our God,  
With hearts and hands and voices;  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms  
Has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,**

**And still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be ever more.**

*Martin Rinkart. Tr. Catherine Winkworth.*

### ***WE RE-DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD'S SERVICE***

*A prayer of blessing may be said followed by these  
words*

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

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