

## **The Greeting**

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

**and also with you.**

## **Preparation**

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God. Amen.

## **Sung Worship**

*The hymn numbers are on the hymn boards.*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Psalmody - Psalm 104:1-10**

Praise the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendour and majesty.

**The Lord wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent**

and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind.

**He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.**

He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.

**You covered it with the watery depths as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.**

But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;

**they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.**

You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.

**He makes springs pour water into the ravines; it flows between the mountains.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever.**

**Amen.**

## **First Reading - Isaiah 53**

*The reader may finish with the following words.*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Second Reading - Matthew 16.21-28**

*The reader may finish with the following words.*

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

## **Sermon**

## **Sung Worship**

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## **The Creed**

*We remain standing to declare together our faith in God*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **The Collect**

*A pause may be left for your own silent prayer of thanks.*

*Then the prayer of the week is said.*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*The following words may be used.*

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*The prayer may conclude with the following words.*

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## **News**

*Community news may be shared.*

## **Sung Worship**

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## **A Blessing**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen**

*Please stay for coffee or tea  
and share peace and company with one another.*