

Parish Church of St Alphege, Solihull



**The Eucharist in Eastertide
11am Choral Eucharist**

Order of Service

Opening Hymn

The Gathering

The president says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Greeting

The president greets the people with the following words and other words of welcome:

✝ In the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister gives the invitation to confession

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

A period of silent reflection

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.
Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The president says

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung by the Choir in English or Latin.

Gloria in 5ostrum5 Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntátis.
Laudamus te, benedícimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias
agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe; Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius
Patris, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem 5ostrum.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: in
gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon
us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect Prayer

The President prays the Collect for the Day, and all respond.

All Amen

We sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

Readings

First Reading

At the end of the reading, the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm

We remain seated whilst the choir sings the Psalm set for the day

Second Reading

At the end of the reading, the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Please stand as able. The Choir and Congregation sing the Gospel Acclamation.



Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All Alleluia.

We remain standing and turn to face the book of the Gospels.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel reading the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

We sit. A sermon is preached.

Afterwards, a short time of silence is kept.

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

We sit.

One of the following responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy
All Hear our prayer

or

Lord, hear us
All Lord, graciously hear us.

The prayers may end with:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We stand.

The President introduces the Peace:

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

Offertory Hymn

Preparation of the Table

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

One or more prayers at the preparation of the table/altar are said.

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

We stand

The president says

The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee
because thou didst raise him gloriously from the dead.
For he is the true paschal lamb who was offered for us,
and has taken away the sin of the world.
By his death he has destroyed death,
and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious name,
evermore praising thee and singing:

The Choir sings the Sanctus and Benedictus in English or Latin:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
Gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy
Lord, God of Hosts,
heaven and earth are full of
thy glory.
Glory be to thee
O Lord most high.

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.

We sit or kneel

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of thy Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us
his body and his blood;

who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and when he had given thanks to thee,
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise, after supper
he took the cup and when he had given thanks to thee,
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink ye all of this;
for this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the
cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of his kingdom, and with this bread and this
cup we make the memorial of Christ thy Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of thy divine majesty,
renew us by thy Spirit,
inspire us with thy love,
and unite us in the body of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be unto thee,
O Father almighty,
world without end.

All Amen.

We remain seated or kneeling.

The Lord's Prayer

Trusting in the compassion of God, let us pray with
confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All 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.
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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup.

**All We proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

The Invitation

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The following prayer may be said

**All We do not presume
to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.**

The Giving of Communion

Whilst those helping with the administration receive, the choir sings the Agnus Dei in English or Latin:

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.*

The Choir sings an anthem or motet during the distribution.

Communion Hymn

Post-Communion Prayer

A short time of silence is kept.

The president prays this week's post-Communion prayer to which we all respond

All Amen.

We say the following prayer together.

**All Almighty God
we thank thee for feeding us
with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ
Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of thy spirit
to live and work
to thy praise and glory. Amen.**

Dismissal

Notices

The celebrant will give the details of any particular important notices and read any Banns of Marriage.

*We stand
The president prays*

The Blessing

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The president says

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing...

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

A hymn is announced and we stand to sing (this is usually found in the green hymn books – New English Hymnal)

The minister and people depart.

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