

Parish Church of St Alphege Solihull



Sung Eucharist

The Eucharist for Ordinary Time

16th, 23rd February and 2nd March 2025

Order of Service

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

Please see Pewslip

The Greeting

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Prayer of Preparation

All 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.

Prayers of Penitence

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11.2

My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Silence is kept

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Absolution

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.

All Amen.

The Gloria (Glory to God in the highest)

We stand.

*The congregation sings the words in **bold** when the choir is present.*

On 23rd February (when there is no choir) we sing the whole.

Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father.
Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.

We worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us,
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father:
receive our prayer,
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Music by Martin How

The Collect

Please remain standing

A moment of silence before the Collect is read (printed on the Pewslip).

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

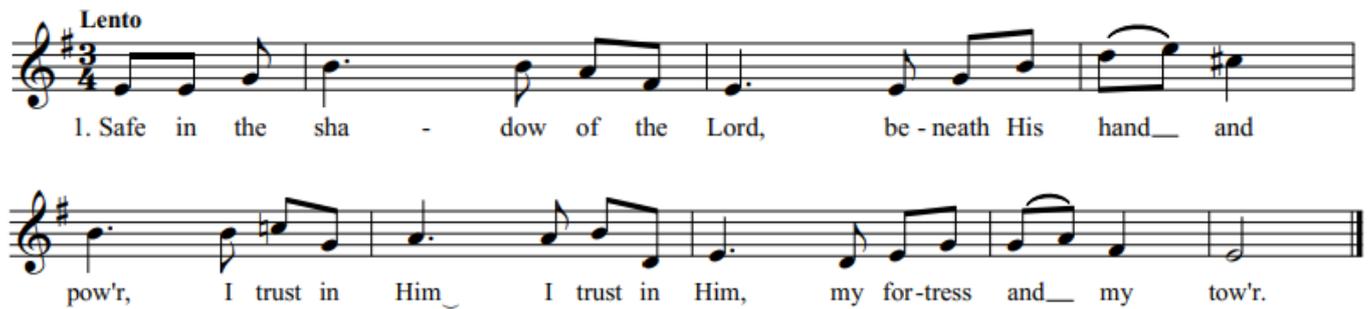
The Psalm

We remain seated.

Please see Pewslip (Choir and Altar Party to have insert).

On 23rd February, when there is no choir, we sing Psalm 91 together:

Lento



1. Safe in the sha - dow of the Lord, be - neath His hand_ and
pow'r, I trust in Him_ I trust in Him, my for-tress and_ my tow'r.

- 2 My hope is set on God alone
though Satan spreads his snare;
I trust in him, I trust in him,
to keep me in his care.
- 3 From fears and phantoms of the night,
from foes about my way,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
by darkness as by day.
- 4 His holy angels keep my feet
secure from every stone;
I trust in him, I trust in him,
and unafraid go on.
- 5 Strong in the everlasting Name,
and in my Father's care,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
who hears and answers prayer.
- 6 Safe in the shadow of the Lord,
possessed by love divine,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
and meet his love with mine.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith
Music: John Barnard

Second Reading

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Please stand. The Choir and Congregation sing the Gospel acclamation.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please kneel or sit

The prayers may end with:

Merciful Father,

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace *Please stand*

Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called children of God.
We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Offertory Hymn *Please see Pewslip*

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

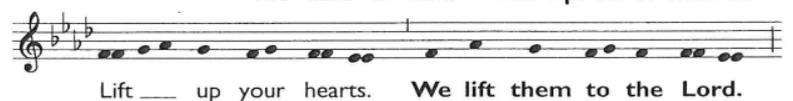
All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

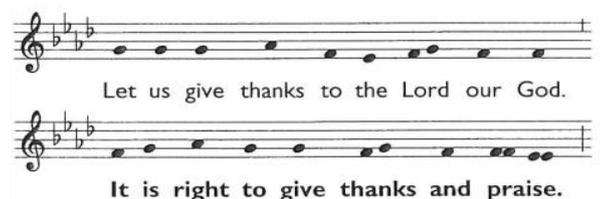
The Lord is here.
All His Spirit is with us.



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:

The Choir sings the Sanctus and Benedictus:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

On 23rd February, when there is no choir, we sing:

**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.**

*Music by
Chris Bell*

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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.

Look with favour on your people,

gather us in your loving arms

and bring us with St Alphege and 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.

The Lord's Prayer

We sit or kneel

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.

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.

The Breaking of Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

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 Invitation

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

We are all invited to draw near to God today. If you, or your children, regularly receive the bread and wine at any Christian church, you are most welcome to do so. If you do not usually receive the bread and wine, or prefer not to do so today, you are invited to come forward to receive a prayer of blessing. If you do this, you may want to hold your hands together in prayer so that we know your intention. Thank you.

Agnus Dei

Whilst those helping with the administration receive, the Choir sings the Agnus Dei.

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.

On 23rd February, when there is no choir, the congregation sings:

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The Giving of Communion

The choir sings an anthem during the Distribution

Communion Hymn

Please see Pewslip

Prayer After Communion

The president reads the Post Communion Prayer from the Pewslip.

All Lord,
we have broken your bread
and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit
keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal

Notices

Final Hymn
Please see Pewslip

The Blessing

The president uses a seasonal blessing, or the following

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
✙ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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