

An 'All Together' Holy Communion Service for Ordinary Time



The Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and
Horndon on the Hill

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Welcome to the Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon on the Hill.

Thank you for joining us!

If this is your first time at one of our churches, it's great to have you with us. Do make yourself known to the minister or to one of those greeting at the door.

This is a service of Holy Communion, when we follow Jesus' commandment at the Last Supper, to eat bread and drink wine in remembrance of him.

Please join in with the responses in bold, the prayers, hymns and songs as you feel comfortable.

The church is fitted with an induction loop system; those with hearing aids should use the 'T' setting.

We hope you enjoy our worship.



If you would like to know more about the Christian faith or the life of our church community, please speak to Revd Sue or Revd Max. Or you can phone 01375 891254, visit us at www.hobnob.org.uk, or find us on Facebook or Twitter: @HOBNOBChurches

WELCOME

GREETING

We stand.

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

OPENING PRAYER

**God of our days and years,
we set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ,
so that our lives may glorify you.
Amen.**

HYMN or SONG

CONFESSION

We sit or kneel and spend a few moments bringing to mind anything for which we need to ask God's forgiveness.

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

We often fail to walk the way of the cross.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant *you* pardon and forgiveness of all *your* sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GLORY TO GOD

We stand to sing a song, offering glory to God.

COLLECT

The prayer for the day is said.

BIBLE READING/S and/or DRAMA

We sit.

After a reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN or SONG

We stand.

GOSPEL READING/DRAMA

We usually remain standing, unless the Gospel is presented in drama form.

When the Gospel is announced, the reader may say,

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

And at the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

TALK

We sit.

CREED

We stand to declare our belief in God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

We 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?

We 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?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

Amen.

PRAYERS

We may sit or kneel as we pray for others.

One of the following responses, or an alternative, may be used.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

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

Amen.

THE PEACE

We stand and the Peace is introduced with a suitable sentence, followed by,

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We may exchange a sign of peace, by shaking hands with one another, or using sign language, and saying, 'Peace be with you.'

HYMN or SONG

We stand and, during this hymn or song, the bread and wine are placed upon the table and a collection is taken for the work of the Church.

After the hymn or song, the collection is received and a prayer said.

We use the following Eucharistic Prayer or Eucharistic Prayer 2, on page 8.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER H

We remain standing.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children

and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying,
'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.'

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said,
'Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you
for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.'

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death
and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit
that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world,
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven,

by saying,

**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.**

or by singing one of the following.

**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.**

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of his glory,
the whole earth is full of his glory,
the whole earth is full of his glory,
holy is the Lord.**

The congregation sits and the service continues with the Lord's Prayer, on page 11.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

We remain standing.

The minister will indicate whether we will use the questions and answers in brackets.

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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.

[Question: Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Answer: Listen, and we will hear.]

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

One of the following or another Short Proper Preface may be used.

- You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,
everything that gives us light,
light for our eyes,
our hearts, our minds.
- You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air;
and every plant and tree;
the life that sleeps in the winter earth,
and awakens again in the spring.
- You give us friends and families,
busy streets for young and old,
the life of an earthly city
fulfilled in your city to come.
- You give us your love, even when things go wrong.
Jesus knew hurt and pain.
Through him you wipe away our tears,
and fill us with your peace.
- You give us happy times
and things to celebrate.
In these we taste your kingdom,
a feast for all your children.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels to praise you,

by saying,

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heaven and earth are full of your glory.
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The congregation sits.

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.
Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

[Question: Why do we share this bread and wine?

Answer: Listen, and we will hear.]

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying,
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying,

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'
So, Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

[Question: How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Answer: Listen, and we will hear.]

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when
suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with [*N and*] all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in
the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We sit or kneel.

**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.

BREAKING OF THE 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.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Everyone who is accustomed to receiving the bread and wine is welcome to take communion. If you do not wish to take communion, you are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing, bringing this booklet with you.

If you are unable to come to the communion rail, and would like to receive the bread and wine, or a blessing, please notify one of the stewards and the minister will be very happy to come to you.

We have gluten-free wafers available. Please tell the minister, at the time of receiving communion, if you would like one of these.

As we share in communion, hymns or songs will be sung, the words for which can either be found in a hymn/song book, or will be printed elsewhere. Numbers, or details of where to find the words, are displayed on the hymn/song board. Please feel free to join in.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

We stand.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among *you*, and remain with *you* and those *you* love, now and always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.



HYMN or SONG

Please stay after the service for fellowship and refreshments.

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