The Benefice of Kirkbymoorside with Gillamoor, Farndale, Bransdale & Edstone

HOLY COMMUNION in Epiphany



WELCOME to this service of Holy Communion.

Everyone (of any age) is welcome to receive bread and wine at the altar rail, or it may be brought to you if needed.

If you would prefer a simple blessing, you are also most welcome to come forward – please keep your hands at your side to show your preference.

During this service, if there is anything you need, please ask one of The Welcomers.

From 'God of Gold' by Jan Berry

God of gold, we seek your glory: the richness that transforms our drabness into colour.

God of incense, we offer you our prayer: our searching for your mystery deep within.

God of myrrh, we cry out to you in our suffering: the pain of all our rejections and bereavements,

and we embrace you, God-with-us, in our wealth, in our yearning, in our anger and our loss.

Amen

HYMN

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

The Lord of all glory be with you **and also with you.**

Welcome and Notices

PREPARING TO MEET GOD

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, the grace of God has dawned upon the world. Therefore in the light of Christ, let us confess our sins.

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

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. **Amen.**

Prayer for the day (Collect)

All respond Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading

At the end **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to.... Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Talk / Reflection

The Creed

We believe in God the Father from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who breathes into us His New Life.

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

Prayers for God's world

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

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

The Peace

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

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

HYMN

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, Almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. And now we give you thanks because in the incarnation of the Word, a new light has dawned upon the world, that all nations may be brought out of darkness to see the radiance of your glory.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends Jesus 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.

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.

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. 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:

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

The Lord's Prayer

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 GIFTS OF GOD

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.

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

The people come forward to receive communion

Silence is kept

Prayer after Communion

Father of all,

we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;

we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,

so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN

THE BLESSING OF GOD

Christ the Son of God, perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and those whom you love, this day and always. Amen.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, for he has come to his people and set them free.

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

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Common Worship Order One

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