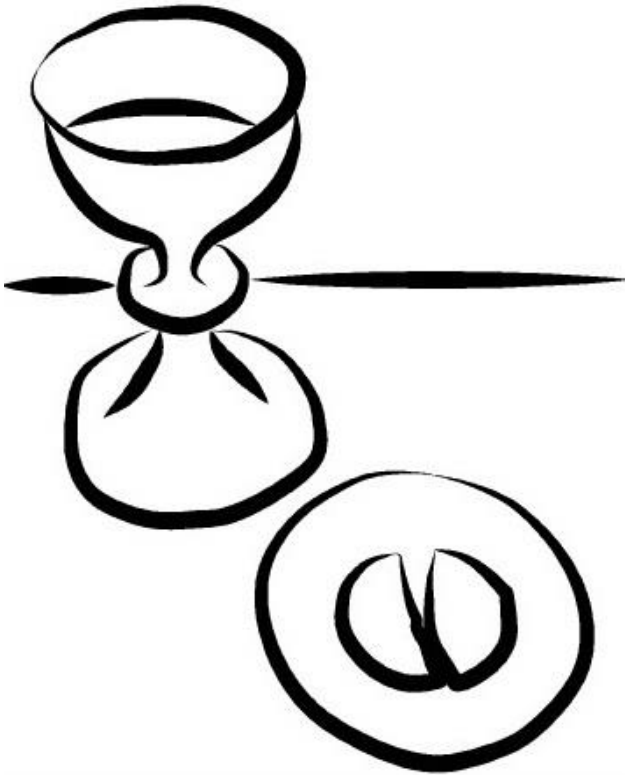


**ALL SAINTS
WEST DULWICH**



**Eastertide
All-Age Eucharist**

ORDER OF SERVICE

A minister may call the people to worship with a time of silence and the following prayer, which we say together

**Lord, direct our thoughts,
and teach us to pray.
Lift up our hearts to worship you
in spirit and in truth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A processional hymn may be sung

Please stand

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

The Greeting

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

Like Mary at the empty tomb,
We fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

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. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.

To God be glory for ever.
To God be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus.

To God be glory for ever.
To God be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.

To God be glory for ever.
To God be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen.

The Collect

Either the Collect of the day or this:

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to
the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Please sit

Readings

At the end of each lesson the reader says

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

The Holy Gospel

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.

cf Revelation 1.17f

Alleluia...

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

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

Glorify you, O Lord.

At the end

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

Talk

Prayers

The prayers may begin with some brief led intercessions

*You may be invited to come forward and light a tealight
as a sign of your own prayer*

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

Please stand

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.

John 20.19f

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

An offertory hymn may be sung

Preparation of the Altar Taking of the Bread and Wine

With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body,
wine for his blood
gifts from God to his table we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

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.

You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,
everything that gives us light,
light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds.
You made us all, each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.

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.

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 his blessed Mother, Mary
and all your saints
we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Amen.

Please kneel or sit

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

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.**

An anthem and a communion hymn may be sung

*Baptised and communicant members of other Christian churches
are welcome to receive Holy Communion;
and all are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing*

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

The post communion prayer may be said, followed by

**God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands
the bread of life:
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you
and for each other;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Brief Notices

Please stand

Blessing and Dismissal

May Christ, who out of defeat
brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

A recessional hymn may be sung

The ministers and people depart

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