

Introduction

This Eucharist is intended to be a time of quiet reflection at the end of a day that has been full of ideas and words. As such we have pared-down the liturgy to its simple essence using fewer words and more space than is usual.

At the point that we share communion together the bread and wine will be brought to you where you are. Gluten-free bread and alcohol-free wine will be used. We will also offer the opportunity to be anointed after receiving communion.

All are welcome to receive anointing as a sign of God's inclusive love and as a way of being sent out to take the ideas from the day to your church and context.

- Preparation of the table

- Words of Welcome

- Opening Song

Be still_ and know that I___ am God. Be still_ and know that I___ am God. Be still_ and know that I___ am God.

1 Be still and know that I am God,
Be still and know that I am God,
Be still and know that I am God.

2 I am the God that healeth thee,
I am the God that healeth thee,
I am the God that healeth thee.

3 In thee, O God, I put my trust,
In thee, O God, I put my trust,
In thee, O God, I put my trust,
In thee, O God, I put my trust.

Words: after Psalm 46: 10-11

- Opening Prayer

All

**Loving God,
Together, we gather to share worship and fellowship,
in all our diversity, and as one people.
Enable us to continue in our call to welcome all,
love all,
and fully include all in our churches and communities.
Guide our steps as we journey
towards and alongside you,
giving us courage when we falter or turn away.
Allow us to see in each person your glory
and your image,
so that we can encourage one another
in all that lies ahead,
in friendship and hope.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

- Readings

Matthew 13: 31-32 The Parable of the Mustard Seed

Reader

Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

Matthew 13: 45-46 The Pearl of Great Price

Reader

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.'

- *Silence - a few moments to think about the day.*

Leader

Lord, Living Word, Bread of Life
Dwell in us and nourish us forever.

All

• Prayers *led by Sally, conference chaplain*

• Song



1. God of the cos - mos, We live with - in you
 2. You were in - car - nate, Ti - ny and help - less;
 3. You were a teach - er, Strength' - ning, em - pow' - ring;
 4. We would re - mem - ber Our shat - ttered life dreams,
 5. Take all the frag - ments, Bright ones and dark ones,
 6. You know our sad - ness; You know our glo - ry;



Hold us, em - brace us, So we ___ can be ___ healed.
 Work with our ___ weak - ness,
 Give us Your cou - rage,
 Re - shape their pat - terns,
 Love them, sort ___ through them,
 Lead us to wis - dom,

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| 1 | <p>God of the cosmos,
 We live within you,
 Hold us, embrace us
 So we can be healed.</p> | 4 | <p>We would remember
 Our shattered life dreams,
 Reshape their patterns,
 So we can be healed</p> |
| 2 | <p>You were incarnate,
 Tiny and helpless,
 Work with our weakness
 so we can be healed.</p> | 5 | <p>Take all the fragments,
 Bright ones and dark ones,
 Love them, sort through them
 So we can be healed.</p> |
| 3 | <p>You were a teacher,
 Strength-ning, empow'ring,
 Give us your courage
 so we can be healed.</p> | 6 | <p>You know our sadness;
 You know our glory;
 Lead us to Wisdom,
 So we can be healed.</p> |

Words: June Boyce-Tillman (b. 1943)

• Prayer of Invitation

Leader

Welcoming God,
Gather us to this table, this table where your Son shared his last meal with his friends.
May we know ourselves welcome here and be ready to welcome those who gather with us now.

All

Amen.

• Eucharistic Prayer

Leader

With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

All

Leader

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

All

Leader

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

All

we shall remember Jesus.

Reader

It is because of its broken-ness that partakers of the bread proclaim the death of Christ, for in his death he was broken. When he gave thanks, Christ broke the bread

Leader

‘This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’

Reader

‘Brokenness lies at the heart of what took place at the Last Supper. Not to discern the brokenness is not to discern the body of Christ and not to realise the paradox of strength through weakness and life through death.’*

Leader

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them,
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.

Reader 'We ask that, as we take the body and blood of Christ, we become apostles of inclusion and witnesses of vulnerability.' Our prayer, together with the angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, is for ability made perfect in inability.

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

Reader Gathered here around this table, called to share this same bread and wine as one family we are bold to pray:

- Lord's Prayer

All **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.**

- Distribution

Gluten-free wafers and alcohol-free wine are taken to the congregation. All are welcome to receive.

After the bread and wine, we also offer anointing with oil. All are welcome to receive anointing as a sign of God's inclusive love. Everyone is invited to respond:

Statement I anoint you to be a sign of God's inclusive love.
Response **Here I am, send me.**

- Thanksgiving Prayer

Leader

This is a quote from a commentary on Jesus' healing in the synagogue of a nameless woman who was bent double: 'Jesus calls her a 'daughter of Abraham'. He turns her full-stop into a comma so she can begin a new life. When the world tries to bury us, God makes us seeds so we can live and grow into God's dreams for us.'

All

**Loving God, our creator, redeemer and sustainer,
we thank you for renewing us in this Sacrament.
A meal that reminds us that, in your eyes,
we are each a pearl of great price.
A meal that assures us that you plant within our hearts
the irrepressible seeds of your kingdom,
and give us gifts through which we can bless the world.
As we go from this place, give us grace and strength
to meet our struggles with courage and our opportunities
with faith, hope and love, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

• Song



- 1 **Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**
- 2 **Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**
- 3 **Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**

Words: Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

- Blessing

Leader

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.

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