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ANGLICAN CHURCH DARLING POINT



SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

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The Order of the Administration of the Lord's Supper
or
Holy Communion according to
the Book of Common Prayer

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HAIL THE DAY THAT SEES HIM RISE

1. Hail the day that sees him rise,
 Hallelujah!
to his throne above the skies;
 Hallelujah!
Christ, a while to mortals given,
 Hallelujah!
enters now the highest heaven!
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

2. There for him high triumph waits;
lift your heads, eternal gates!
wide unfold the radiant scene;
let the King of glory in!

3. Heaven now its Lord receives,
yet he loves the earth he leaves;
though returning to his throne,
still calls humankind his own.

4. See! he lifts his hands above;
See! he shows his prints of love:
Hark! his gracious lips bestow,
blessings on his church below.

5. Still for us he intercedes,
his prevailing death he pleads,
near himself prepares our place,
he the first fruits of our race.

6. There we shall with you remain,
partners of your endless reign,
there your face unclouded view,
find our heaven of heavens in you,

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

.THE LORD'S PRAYER

The priest says Let us pray

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed by thy name;
thy kingdom come thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts be open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy name;
through Christ the Lord. Amen**

THE COMMANDMENTS

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy mind, with all thy soul, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

all respond ...

**Lord have mercy upon us,
and write all these thy laws in our hearts,
we beseech thee.**

THE COLLECT for Sunday after Ascension

The priest says the Collect, or set prayer, of the day.

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us; and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

The reader says

The passage appointed for the Epistle is written in Ephesians, chapter 1, beginning at the 15th verse.

Paul wrote ¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

At the conclusion of the Epistle, the reader says

Here endeth the Epistle.

THE GOSPEL

All stand when the reader says

The Holy Gospel is written in the Gospel according to Saint Luke, chapter 24 beginning at the 50th verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

⁵⁰ Then Jesus led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be unto thee, O Lord, for this thy holy Gospel

THE CREED

**I believe in one God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things
visible and invisible:**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man,
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered death and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified
who spake by the prophets.
And I believe on catholic and apostolick church
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

THE SERMON

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Let your light so shine before all men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon earth; where rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal.

Matthew 6:19

All things come of thee, and of thine own do we give thee

1 Chronicles 29:14

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

1 John 3:17

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

1. Rejoice the Lord is King
your Lord and King adore;
let all give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore.

*Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice; rejoice;
again I say, rejoice.*

2. Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above. *Refrain*

3. His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given. *Refrain*

4. He sits at God's right hand,
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command.
and fall beneath his feet: *Refrain*

5. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Jesus the judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home.

*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God
shall sound, rejoice!*

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

THE INTERCESSIONS

The people kneel.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully (*to accept our alms and oblations, and*) to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord: and grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian kings, princes and governors; and specially thy servant *Elizabeth our Queen*, that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively word, and duly administer they holy sacraments: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, we may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly Kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate.

Amen

THE INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the comandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

THE CONFESSION

Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
we acknowledge and bewail
our manifold sins and wickedness which we, from time to time
most grievously have committed,
by thought, word and deed,
against thy divine majesty,
provoking most justly
thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us;
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honour and glory of thy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins
to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn to him:
have mercy upon you;
pardon and deliver you from all your sins;
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and bring you to everlasting life:
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you
Matthew 11:28

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
John 3:16

Hear also what St Paul saith:

This is a true saying and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world so save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

Hear also what St John saith:

If any man sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins 1 John 2:1-2

THE PREFACE

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, (Holy Father) almighty, everlasting God.

A seasonal preface will follow at Christmas, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost and Trinity.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify your glorious name,
evermore praising thee and saying:

all respond

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS.

**We do not presume
to come to thy table, O merciful Lord.
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.
But thou art the same Lord,
whose property is always to have mercy:
grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.
Amen**

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again;

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood:

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread;

here the priest is to take the paten

and, when he had given thanks, he brake it,

here the priest shall break the bread

and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat;

here the priest is to lay a hand on all the bread

this is my body which is given for you:

do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise, after supper he took the cup;

here the priest is to take the cup

and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying

Drink ye all of this;

here the priest lays a hand on every vessel with wine to be consecrated

for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins; do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen**

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.
Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for thee and be thankful.

MOTET - God is gone up with a merry noise - William Croft

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The priest says Let us pray

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hallowed by thy name;
thy kingdom come thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that 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**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The priest says either the Prayer of Oblation or the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

The Prayer of Oblation

O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end. **Amen**

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen**

THE GLORIA - Sumsion in F

**Glory be to God on high
and in earth peace, good will towards all men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ;
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father
 have mercy upon us.
 For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

THE BLESSING

The priest says

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen**

POSTLUDE - Toccata and Fugue in D Minor - J.S.Bach

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