



**Benefice of Christ Church  
and St Mary's, Frome**

Diocese of Bath and Wells

**Parish Eucharist**

**Creation Season**

**Welcome**

**Hymn**

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

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

### **Prayer of Preparation**

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

### **Prayers of Penitence**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
The first commandment is this:  
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.'  
The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'  
There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.  
All **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Human sin disfigures the whole creation,  
which groans with eager longing for God's redemption.  
We confess our sin in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in  
love and peace with all.

*cf Romans 8.22,23*

You delight in creation, its colour and diversity;  
yet we have misused the earth  
and plundered its resources for our own selfish ends.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

You have brought order out of chaos,  
light in darkness, good out of evil,  
but we have preferred darkness  
in words and deeds which dishonour God's holy name.  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You have showered us with blessings,  
but we have been grudging towards others  
and lacking in generosity in word and deed.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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.  
All Amen.

**All Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

**The Collect**  
*(stand)*

**Readings**  
*(Sit)*

*Readings end with This is the word of the Lord*

## **All Thanks be to God**

*There may be a responsorial Psalm between the readings. The response will be on the pew sheet*

## **Gospel Reading**

*(Stand)*

Alleluia, alleluia.

God has spoken to us through his Son,  
through whom he created the worlds.

*cf Hebrews 1.2*

### **Alleluia.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*(Sit)*

## **Affirmation of Faith**

*(Stand)*

Let us affirm our faith in God

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 of Intercession**

*(Kneel or sit)*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our Saviour, Jesus  
Christ. Amen**

### **The Peace**

*(Stand)*

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

*Isaiah 55.12*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

**Hymn**

*The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Blessed be God,  
by whose grace creation is renewed,  
by whose love heaven is opened,  
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The president takes the bread and wine.*

**The Eucharistic Prayer F**  
*(Remain standing)*

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.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,  
Lord God of truth,  
for by the breath of your mouth  
you have spoken your word,  
and all things have come into being.  
You fashioned us in your image  
and placed us in the garden of your delight.  
Though we chose the path of rebellion  
you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.  
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets  
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.  
As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,  
we echo the song of the angels in heaven,  
evermore praising you and 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.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one,  
enthroned in splendour and light,  
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ  
you reveal the power of your love  
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity,  
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;  
loving us to the end,  
he gave himself to death for us;  
dying for his own,  
he set us free from the bonds of sin,  
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all  
he took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you; 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.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,  
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,  
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high  
and we long for his coming in glory.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,  
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation  
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
form us into the likeness of Christ  
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people  
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.  
Bless the earth,  
heal the sick,  
let the oppressed go free  
and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth  
to feast with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints  
at the table in your kingdom,  
where the new creation is brought to perfection

in Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(Sit or kneel)*

So we pray as Jesus taught us

**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.**

### **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 the  
one bread.**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**

**God's holy gifts for God's holy people  
Jesus Christ is holy;  
Jesus Christ is Lord;  
To the glory of God the Father**

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept.*

**Creator God,  
With joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and  
have shared in the bread and wine of the kingdom:  
By your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us  
and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we  
enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

### **The Blessing** *(Stand)*

**May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is the source of all goodness and growth,  
pour his blessing upon all things created,**

and upon you his children,  
that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all  
peoples;  
and the blessing ...

**Hymn**

**The Dismissal**

Let us tend the earth, care for God's good creation,  
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness  
Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**