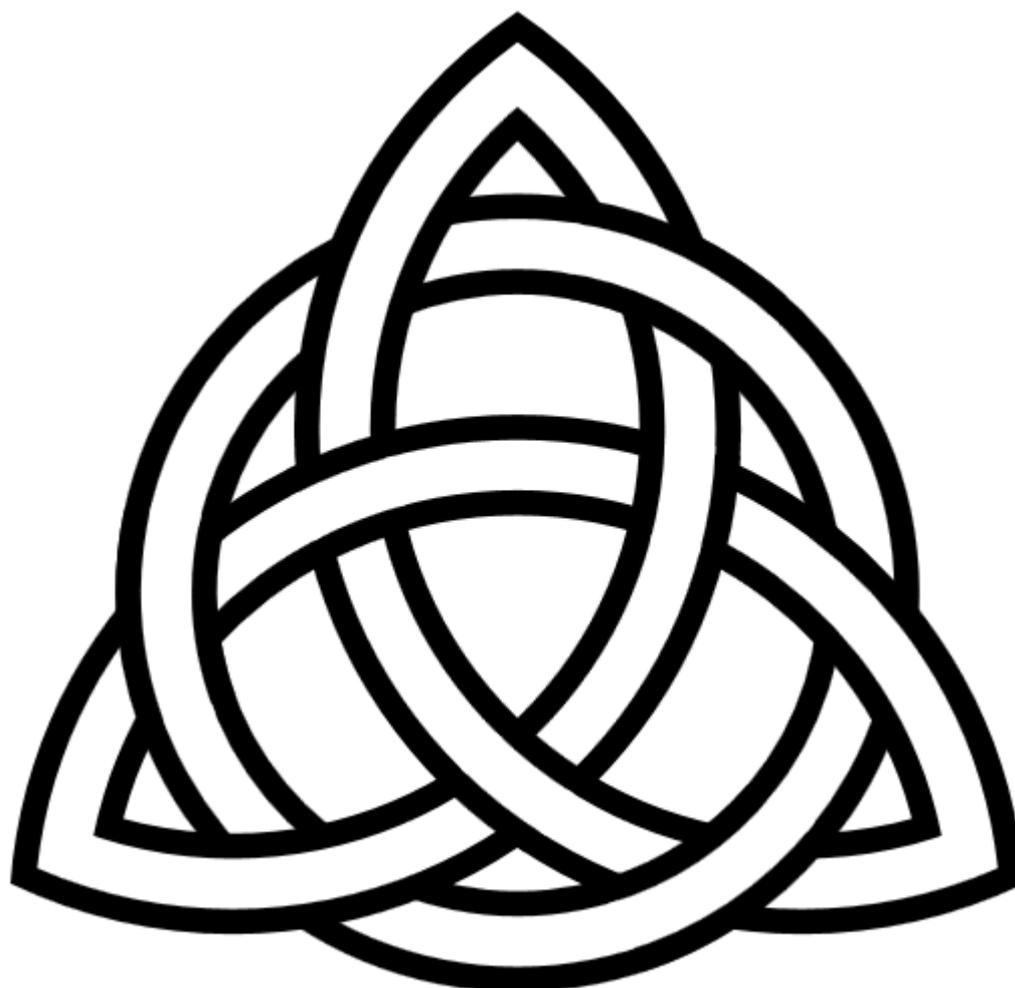
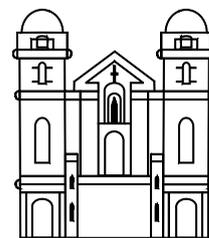


**St James the Greater
Leicester**



**Sung Eucharist
on Trinity Sunday
and
Sundays after Trinity**

Holy Communion is the family meal of the Church. In movement and in stillness, in silence and in song, in words and in images, we worship God together. What we do and are in this service reflects and shapes what we do and are in our lives.

- We express our desire for community by gathering together.
- We express our hospitality by welcoming others.
- We express our brokenness and fragility by confessing our sins.
- We express our trust in God's unfailing love by seeking forgiveness.
- We express our beliefs and convictions by sharing God's word.
- We express our hopes, aspirations, and our commitments by praying for the church and the world.
- We express our desire for God's Peace by sharing the peace.
- We express our gratitude to God in the Eucharistic (thanksgiving) prayer.
- We express our deep desire for communion with God by sharing bread and wine, the body and blood of Jesus.
- We express our dependence on God by receiving a blessing.

But it is not just about us, and what we do and are. It is primarily about God, and what God does and is. It is about God weaving community, God showing hospitality, God holding our brokenness, God forgiving sin, God showing us who he is, God desiring good for his world, God giving deep peace, God graciously accepting our praise, God offering God's self in bread and wine, God giving his blessing to his children.

May you encounter the God of love in this service.

Please join in with the responses which are in bold in the Order of Service.
Please return this booklet to the back of the Church at the end of the service.

**A large print version of this booklet is available,
please ask a Churchwarden.**

It can also be downloaded from www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

The Gathering

Stand for the HYMN - see hymn board or leaflet for the number. During the hymn the choir move into the chancel.

The Greeting

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

and also with you.

OR

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

**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

A minister gives an invitation to confession with these or other suitable words:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Please kneel or sit for the Confession.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

OR

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

<i>Choir:</i>	Kyrie eleison	Lord have mercy
	Christe eleison	Christ have mercy
	Kyrie eleison	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.
Amen.

Gloria

Please stand – the following refrain may be sung by the congregation:

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo.

A different setting may be sung by choir and congregation from a separate card.

The Collect

The Collect is said, and all respond:

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit for the reading. At the end of the reading, the speaker says:

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gradual Hymn – see hymn board or leaflet for the number.

Gospel Reading

All stand and turn to face the Gospel reader.

Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sit for the Sermon.

Please stand.

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

OR

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

Please kneel or sit for the prayers.

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

OR

Lord, hear us **Lord, graciously hear us**

And at the end:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand.

The President introduces the Peace with these or other suitable sentences:

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

OR

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

and then says:

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

The Offertory Hymn is sung: see hymn board or leaflet for the number.

A collection is taken. If you are visiting and are a UK tax payer please use one of the gift aid envelopes (completing the details.)

*The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.
The table is prepared – bread and wine are placed upon it.*

The Priest takes the bread and wine:

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

OR

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer [B or G]

The Lord be with you OR
and also with you.

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.

Prayer B

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Choir: 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.

Kneel or sit

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,

Prayer G

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own.

these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of
our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was
betrayed,
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.

One of these acclamations is used

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

When they turned away and
rebelled your love remained
steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our
Saviour, born of Mary, to be the
living bread, in whom all our
hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the
cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he 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 and for many
for the forgiveness of sins. Do this,
as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread and
drink this cup, we proclaim
your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of [*N and*] all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through 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.

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with [*N and*] all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated 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.**

OR

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Agnus Dei

Choir:

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

Draw near with faith, receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

OR

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Communicant members of all Christian denominations are welcome to receive. Alternatively you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – bring this service booklet to indicate that a blessing is requested. The steps to the left and right of the altar have a hand rail. Follow the Churchwardens' directions to go forward.

An Anthem may be sung by the choir.

See hymn board or leaflet for the Communion Hymn number.

Prayer after Communion

Kneel or sit. The post Communion Prayer is said, then one of the following:

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

OR

**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.**

The Blessing and Dismissal

The President may use one of these or another suitable blessing:

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

OR

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. **Amen.**

Notices may follow here.

*Please stand for the Recessional Hymn – see hymn board or leaflet for the number.
As the Procession passes ALL TURN to face the door of the church in readiness to go out as witnesses*

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

Organ voluntary. Please remain standing whilst the Choir depart and be aware of those remaining to listen.

*Please return this Order of Service to the back of church before you leave.
Everyone is invited to remain for refreshments.*

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