

8<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Service of Holy Communion

The Greeting

The Lord be with you,  
and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

God of our times and years,  
we set this time apart for you.  
Form us in the likeness of Christ  
so that our lives may glorify you. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus said: Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled. As brothers and sisters in God's family, we come together to ask our Father for forgiveness.

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you

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the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

The Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Epistle

Ephesians 4.25-5.2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead,  
thou alone, our strong defender,  
liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluia,  
Jesu, true and living bread.

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Here our humblest homage pay we,  
here in loving reverence bow;  
here for faith's discernment pray we,  
lest we fail to know thee now.  
Alleluia,  
thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee  
as of old in Bethlehem,  
here as there thine angels hail thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's Stem.  
Alleluia,  
we in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished\_  
once for all when thou wast slain,  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain,  
Alleluia,  
cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
stricken Rock with streaming side,  
heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
worship thee, the Lamb who died,  
Alleluia,  
risen, ascended, glorified.

### **Gospel Reading**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**John 6. 35, 41-51**

Jesus said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life.  
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,  
and whoever believes in me will never be  
thirsty.'

Then the Jews began to complain about him  
because he said, 'I am the bread that came  
down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not  
this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father  
and mother we know? How can he now say, "I  
have come down from heaven"?' Jesus  
answered them, 'Do not complain among  
yourselves. No one can come to me unless  
drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will  
raise that person up on the last day. It is  
written in the prophets, "And they shall all be  
taught by God." Everyone who has heard and  
learned from the Father comes to me. Not

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that anyone has seen the Father except the  
one who is from God; he has seen the Father.  
Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has  
eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your  
ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness,  
and they died. This is the bread that comes  
down from heaven, so that one may eat of it  
and not die. I am the living bread that came  
down from heaven. Whoever eats of this  
bread will live for ever; and the bread that I  
will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

Let us stand to say The Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and 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,**

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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.

## The Notices

### Prayers of Intercession

*The response is*

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 Peace

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.

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

Look upon us in mercy, not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty  
of our praise a dwelling place for your glory.  
**Amen.**

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## The Eucharistic Prayer

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.**

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

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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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

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 Cuthbert, John 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.**

### **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.**

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**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

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

### **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.**

*When directed, please move forward in silence to receive the bread and the wine by intinction.*

### **Prayers after Communion**

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**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.**

### **The Blackburn Diocesan Vision Prayer for Vision 2026**

Heavenly Father, we embrace Your call for us to make disciples, to be witnesses, to grow leaders and inspire children and young people. Give us eyes to see Your vision, ears to hear the prompting of Your Spirit and

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courage to follow in the footsteps of your Son,  
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Hymn

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
you are one with us,  
Mary's Son;  
cleansing our souls from all their sin,  
pouring your love and goodness in;  
Jesus, our love for you we sing,  
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
now and every day\_  
teach us how to pray,  
Son of God.  
You have commanded us to do\_  
this in remembrance, Lord, of you:  
into our lives your power breaks through,  
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
born as one of us,  
Mary's Son.  
Led out to die on Calvary,  
risen from death to set us free,  
living Lord Jesus, help us see,  
you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
I would come to you,  
live my life for you,  
Son of God.  
All your commands I know are true,  
your many gifts will make me new,  
into my life your power breaks through,  
living Lord.

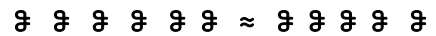
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### The Blessing

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.**

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



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