**Order of Service for Holy Communion
(short version)**

**Welcome and Introductory Prayer**

The peace of the Lord be always with you
**And also with you**
**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.**

**Confession**

As we gather I invite you now
to join with me in the confession
and acknowledgement of our sins
and our commitment to turn from them*.*

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.
Christ, have mercy.
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

**Absolution**

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

**A Collect Prayer

Bible Reading(s) and Reflection**
**The Prayers,** *finishing with* **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

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 our thanks and praise.**
Father, almighty and ever-living God,
it is right to give you thanks and praise
at all times and in all places.
With angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
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**

We praise you, Lord God,
creator and sustainer of the universe.
Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us
the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who on the night that he was betrayed,
took bread, gave thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,

‘Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.’

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

‘This is my blood of the new covenant
poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, whenever you drink it,
in remembrance of me.’

Send down your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us the body and blood of Christ.
Unite us with him for ever
and bring us with the whole creation to your eternal kingdom.
**Amen.**

**Breaking of the Bread**

*The Minister 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.**

**The Spiritual Communion Prayer**

*The spiritual communion prayer is said by those who are unable to receive the bread and the wine whilst communion is received*

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day. Amen.**

*All those who are able, receive the bread and the wine.*

**Prayer Said After Communion**

**We thank you Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste
of the heavenly banquet prepared for all people**.
**Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

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