



# Bread for the World An Informal Eucharist

Introit Come down, O Love divine - Hilary Tadman-Robins

Welcome and Opening Prayers Revd Richard Carter

Creator God, Come to us, in the difference of every life gathered Come to us in song Come to us in word Come to us in stillness and silence Come to us in our care for one another Come to us in bread and wine Come to us in flesh and blood Reach out across time Be present in all time.

- All Amen.
- A// Come Jesus, be our guest, Stay with us for day is ending.
   With friend, with stranger,
   With young and old,
   With the lost and found
   Be among us tonight
   Our guest our host
   The one who says all – all are welcome here.

## **Opening Hymn**

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: *all are welcome, all are welcome all are welcome in this place.* 

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as pme we claim the faith of Jesus: *all are welcome, all are welcome all are welcome in this place.*
- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: *all are welcome, all are welcome all are welcome in this place.*

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

### Prayers of Forgiveness

God longs to be with us. But we often live in alienation from God, ourselves, one another and God's creation. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

Because the world is beautiful but beauty is easily destroyed, we need you.

Lord, have mercy.

#### All Lord, have mercy.

Because we often abandon you and turn away and walk past and are afraid and countless times betray you but you love us to the end and win a victory over all hatred, we need you. Christ, have mercy.

#### All Christ, have mercy.

Because we have your message to proclaim, because we have your kingdom to build, because there are so many in need of your love, because we have your life to live.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

And Jesus said "Your sins are forgiven"

In the name of the Father who created you and waits to welcome you home, in the name of the Son who searches for you, in the name of the Spirit who brings the healing of forgiveness and calls you to do the same, you have been set free.

#### All Amen.

## Words on the Edge Mark 6.30-44

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat.' But he answered them, 'You give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?' And he said to them, 'How many loaves have you? Go and see.' When they had found out, they said, 'Five, and two fish.' Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled; and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

Reflection Mirjam Ngoy-Verhage - Sharing: When the me becomes us

Anthem Ubi caritas – Maurice Duruflé

Prayers

Prayer of Thanksgiving Prayer of Concern Prayer of Hope

Each prayer ends with 'We pray to you'

Prayer Chant Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us.



Sharing of the Peace

God of eternal peace, who offers the gift of peace and whose children are the peacemakers; pour your peace into our hearts, that conflict and anger may cease. Peace is the gift of the Risen Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

## All And also with you.

Let us offer each other a sign of that peace

As we sing the hymn, you are invited to gather around the altar.

Gathering Hymn

- 1 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
- 2 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
- 3 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

John Foley, SJ (b. 1939)

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

*Together we pray:* 

All Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free, and fill each one of us with your love from on high. Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast at your table with all your saints.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray each in our own preferred language the prayer our Saviour 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Look, Jesus Christ, the Bread of Heaven, is broken for the life of the world. The gifts of God for the people of God.

#### All Jesus Bread of Life, Bread which is broken, Bread for the world.

Communion Anthem Wherever there is love – Bernadette Farrell

Prayer after Communion

All Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Word for us to speak, You are the Truth for us to tell; You are the Light for us to light in the darkness, You are the Bread of Life for us to share.

Notices

Thanksgiving Hymn

- 1 Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it, protect it like a candle-flame, with tenderness enfold it.
- 2 Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing; look people warmly in the eye: our life is meant for caring.

- Give thanks for strong yet tender- hands, held out in trust and blessing.
   Where words fall short, let hands speak out, the heights of love expressing.
- Reach out in friendship, stay with faith in touch with those around you.
   Put peace into each other's hands: the Peace that sought and found you.

Fred Kaan (1929–2009)

Blessing

Go simply, lightly, gently Go with obedience Go with love And the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

All Amen.

Blessing Anthem A Clare Benediction – John Rutter

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