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# Bread for the World

## *An Informal Eucharist*

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Introit Blessed are the pure in heart *Walford Davies*

Welcome and Opening Prayers Revd Angela Sheard

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.**

*All* **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 Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days,  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**
- 2 Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet, and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.**

*continued...*

- 3 Take my voice, and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect, and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will, and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart—it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure-store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

*Frances Ridley Havergal (1836–1879)*

## 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 Exodus 3: 1-6

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Reflection Revd Catherine Duce Seeking the God Beyond-  
Contemplative Spirituality

Anthem Give us the wings of faith *James Whitbourn*

Prayers

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Concern

Prayer of Hope

*Each prayer ends with 'We pray to you'*

## Prayer Chant O Lord hear my prayer



O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,  
when I call ans - wer me. O Lord hear my prayer, O  
Lord hear my prayer, come and lis - ten to me.

## 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 the congregation sings, all are invited to gather around the altar.*

## Gathering Hymn

- 1 **Lord, teach us how to pray aright  
with reverence and with fear;  
though dust and ashes in thy sight,  
we may, we must, draw near.**
- 2 **We perish if we cease from prayer:  
O grant us power to pray;  
and, when to meet thee we prepare,  
Lord, meet us by the way.**
- 3 **God of all grace, we bring to thee  
a broken, contrite heart;  
give what thine eye delights to see,  
truth in the inward part;**

*continued...*

- 4 Faith in the only sacrifice  
that can for sin atone,  
to cast our hopes, to fix our eyes,  
on Christ, on Christ alone;**
- 5 Patience to watch and wait and weep,  
though mercy long delay;  
courage our fainting souls to keep,  
with trust thee though thou slay.**
- 6 Give these, and then thy will be done;  
thus, strengthened with all might,  
we, through thy Spirit and thy Son,  
shall pray, and pray aright.**

*James Montgomery (1771-1854)*

### 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    The Lord's Prayer    *Bob Chilcott*

## 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** **There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgement given.**
- 2** **For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind,  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify his strictness  
with a zeal he will not own.**
- 3** **There is plentiful redemption  
through the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;  
there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.**

*continued...*

*Second half of tune*

**4** If our love were but more simple,  
we should take him at his word;  
and our lives would be all gladness  
in the joy of Christ our Lord.

*Frederick William Faber (1814-1863)*

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 St Richard's Prayer *Joanna Forbes L'Estrange*

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