

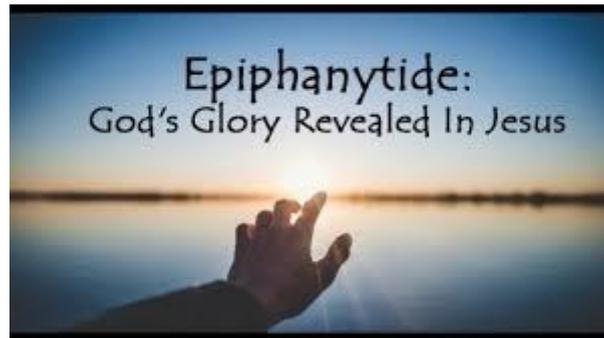


The South West Ipswich Team Ministry

The Church of England in South West Ipswich

Holy Communion on The Sundays of Epiphanytide

In Church and Online on Facebook and Youtube



Before the service starts a carol is played, words of welcome are used and the president says

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

The president greets the people

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Prayer of Preparation

All **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 Invitation to confession

We come to say sorry for what we have done wrong in our own lives, as well as those things that have been done by humanity, we are invited to reflect and having done so we hear the words of forgiveness, which set us free and lets us go forward free from the past.

Baptism of Christ

Because God was merciful,
he saved us through the water of rebirth
and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit.
But through sin we have fallen away from our baptism.
Let us return to the Lord and renew our faith in his promises
by confessing our sins in penitence.

Lord Jesus, illuminate the darkness in our hearts.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, open our eyes to your saving love.
Christ have mercy.

All **Christ have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, unstop our ears to hear your living word.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Sundays after Epiphany

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.
Let us confess our sins.

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

All **Lord, have mercy.**

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

All **Christ have mercy.**

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

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The president pronounces God's forgiveness and says

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.

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

*The Gloria echo's the song of the angels at the birth of Jesus,
we say it to proclaim the greatness of God. A minister says*

In this holy season we echo the song of the angels as we proclaim together:

All **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy, have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

Gloria in excelsis!

Amen.

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding. The Collect is said and all respond,

All **Amen.**

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Two readings are read, at the end of each the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Baptism of Christ

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.

All **Alleluia.**

Epiphany to the Eve of the Presentation

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

All **Alleluia.**

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

at the end the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

A minister says

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **We believe that God is present
in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty
where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms,
and the sun rises over the barbed wire.
We believe in a with-us God
who sits down in our midst
to share our humanity.
We affirm a faith
that takes us beyond the safe place:
Into action, into vulnerability
and into the streets.
We commit ourselves to work for change
and put ourselves on the line;
to bear responsibility, take risks,
live powerfully and face humiliation;
to stand with those on the edge;
to choose life
and be used by the spirit
for God's new community of hope.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Prayers for the needs of the church, the world, our local community and those who are in need – the sick, the bereaved as well as those who have recently died and whose anniversary of death fall at this time.

All Lord, in your mercy (or) Lord, hear your people
hear our prayer. and answer our prayers.

The prayers may end with

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

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Baptism of Christ

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.

Epiphany to the Eve of the Presentation

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace
there shall be no end.

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

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

Hymn

*A carol is played while the Altar is prepared,
the bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer,
at your table we present our gifts of money,
and all that we offer to you,
symbol of the work you have given us to do;
use it, use us, in the service of your world
to the glory of your name.

All **Amen.**

Baptism of Christ

Open the heavens, Holy Spirit,
for us to see Jesus interceding for us;
may we be willing to share his baptism,
ready to share his cup
and strengthened to serve him for ever.

All **Amen.**

Epiphany to the Eve of the Presentation

Father, in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous;
accept the offering of your Church
and grant that Christ may shine in us
to the praise and glory of your name.

All **Amen.**

The president takes the bread and wine.

In the Eucharistic Prayer we do as Jesus commands us, we take bread and wine and give thanks before sharing it with one another. Bread that becomes his body and wine that becomes his blood; a reminder of how much he loves us.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Extended Preface for the Baptism of Christ

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
You celebrated your new gift of Baptism
in signs and wonders at the Jordan.

Your voice was heard from heaven to awaken faith in the presence among us of your Word made flesh.

Your Spirit was seen as a dove, revealing Jesus as your servant, and anointing him with the oil of gladness to preach the good news to the poor.

Therefore as we celebrate the union of earth and heaven, we rejoice to echo the song of the angels in heaven for ever praising you and saying:

Extended Preface for Epiphany to the Eve of the Presentation

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

All **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.

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:

All **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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter,
Francis, 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.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All **God here among us, light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion

Here, at this table, under the welcoming light of a morning star,
the God of epiphanies waits to be encountered.

So – though you may be weary and worn by your journey or
stained and sore with travel

– look up and see the star, lay aside your packs, bend beneath the
lintel, and enter with joy for God waits within –

to refresh and renew, to comfort and restore, to challenge and
transform, to know ... and be known.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God,
All **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins,
All **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world,
All **grant us peace.**

The president receives communion, including the wine on behalf of the whole people of God. Please follow the directions of the stewards as you come up to receive the bread.

Please use the hand gel before and after you have received.

The body of Christ and The blood of Christ.

If you are making a spiritual communion (i.e. not receiving in person) you may wish to say the below:

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church,
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,
I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving.

I present to you my soul and body with the wish
that they may always be united to you.

And since I can not now receive you in this sacrament,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you,
and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.

Let nothing ever separate you from me.

May I live and die in your love. Amen.

Any consecrated bread and wine which is not required for purposes of communion is consumed at the end of the distribution.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

A minister prays the post communion prayer and all respond

All **Amen**

All **You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,
and you have made yourself known
in the breaking of the bread.
Abide with us, we pray,
that, blessed by your royal presence,
we may walk with you
all the days of our life,
and at its end behold you
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,
one God for ever and ever.
Amen.**

¶ **The Dismissal**

Hymn

A Hymn is played

Blessing

Baptism of Christ

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water
welling up to eternal life,
perfect in you the image of his glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
rest and remain upon you, your homes and all whom you love,
this day and always.

All **Amen**

Epiphany to the Eve of the Presentation

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
rest and remain upon you, your homes and all whom you love,
this day and always.

All **Amen.**

A minister says

We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.

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