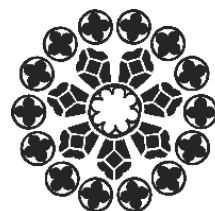


# **Sung Eucharist**

## **Festival of Christ the King**



**Truro  
Cathedral**  
*sacred space, common ground*

Welcome to Truro Cathedral and to this Eucharist. In it we recall the last meal of Christ with his friends in the Upper Room, and we recognise him in the breaking of the bread. Although our faith is grounded in history, this service is not a nostalgic looking back to the events of the past: it is a celebration that, in the Eucharist Christ is truly present to us now, and a promise of the glory that will be ours when the whole universe is made complete in him.

The feast of Christ the King falls on the last Sunday of the Christian Year and brings it to a close with a focus on the figure of the Lord reigning among the assembly of the saints in heaven. The themes of sainthood and kingdom that have dominated the liturgy during November are brought to a final climax in today's celebration. Yet this is no easy kingship, but one where the monarch's hands still bear the imprint of nails, and the crown of glory is worn where there has once been a crown of thorns. It is a kingship that calls into question all our human images of authority and power, for it is one born out of weakness and suffering. Such is the one whom we will celebrate in next Sunday's liturgy as the one who will come to be our judge, as the end of one liturgical year leads naturally into the beginning of another, and a new Advent starts us off once more around the church's pilgrim way that leads us up to glory.

Please note that communion will be administered both at the High Altar and at a Nave Station. Gluten free hosts are available. Please indicate to the priest if you require a gluten free wafer as you come to receive communion.

All who usually receive Holy Communion in their own church are warmly invited to do so today. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the minister.

Intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is not permitted at Truro Cathedral. Please feel free to sit or kneel at any point in the service.

Please join in with the responses in bold type.

## The Gathering

*Please remain seated while the choir sings the Introit from the West End of the cathedral. Then, please stand to sing the **Opening Hymn** and for the procession.*

*The president says*

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

**Amen.**

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

or

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

## Prayers of Penitence

*The deacon invites all to confess their sins using these words:*

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'  
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**O King enthroned on high,  
filling the earth with your glory:  
holy is your name, Lord God almighty.  
In our sinfulness we cry to you  
to take our guilt away,  
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The president says*

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.**

*The choir sings the Gloria in excelsis*

Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
Et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi propter  
magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus,  
Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus  
Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis  
peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus,  
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

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 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. Amen.

## **The Collect**

*The president says or sings The Collect, the special prayer for the day.*

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

*Please be seated*

### **First Reading**

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm or Canticle**

*The words of the congregational response can be found on the weekly service sheet.*

### **Second Reading**

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## Gospel Reading

*All turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it passes in the procession.*

*The following heralds the Gospel reading.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*The deacon says*

The Lord be with you

**and also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end the deacon says*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*All remain standing while the Gospel procession returns.*

## Sermon

*The preacher says an opening invocation or prayer, and then all sit*

*We stand to affirm our faith.*

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

## Prayers of Intercession

*Please sit. The intercessor introduces the intercessions with these words:*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy	or	Lord, hear us.
<b>hear our prayer.</b>		<b>Lord, graciously hear us.</b>

*At the end of the prayers silence may be kept and the intercessor may say the following or another appropriate collect*

Be with us, Lord, in all our prayers,  
and direct our way toward the attainment of salvation,  
that among the changes and chances of this mortal life,  
we may always be defended by your gracious help;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*Please stand. The president introduces the Peace, using these words.*

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*The deacon says*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*



## Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

*The Offertory Hymn is sung during which the altar is prepared and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented.*

*The president may say this Offertory Prayer*

As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside  
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,  
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together  
from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

**Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer, Prayer E

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 thanks and praise.**

*The president praises God for his mighty acts in these words.*

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord,  
your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.  
As priest, he offered himself once for all  
upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by  
this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,  
that he may bring before your infinite majesty  
a kingdom of truth and life,  
a kingdom of holiness and grace,

a kingdom of justice, love and peace.  
And so with angels and archangels  
and all the heavenly host,  
we proclaim your glory  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

*Choir*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra  
gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full  
of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood  
of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

*The deacon says* Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms and bring us with  
Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.  
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words our Saviour taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

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

## Giving of Communion

*The president says*

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Please sit.*

*Please follow the direction of the Lay Assistants during the distribution of communion.*

*At the distribution the minister says*

The Body of Christ.                      *and*                      The Blood of Christ.

*The communicant replies each time **Amen**, and then receives.*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis  
peccata mundi:  
miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the  
world,  
have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis  
peccata mundi:  
miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the  
world,  
have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis  
peccata mundi:  
dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the  
world,  
grant us peace.

**Anthem**

## After Communion

*The president says*

Let us pray

*Please stand*

*The president says the Post Communion prayer.*

Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth  
the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The following prayer is then said.*

**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 peoples.  
Amen.**

**Hymn**

*The president uses this blessing*

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

God the Father, who has given to his Son the name above every name,  
strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

**Amen.**

God the Son, who is our great high priest passed into the heavens,  
plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

**Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church, make  
you faithful servants of Christ our King.

**Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

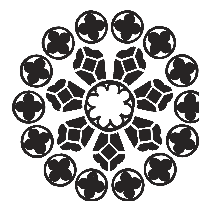
*The deacon says*

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain standing for the recessional during which an organ voluntary will be  
played. You are very welcome to join us for refreshments in the Chapter House.*

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