



GIRTON COLLEGE CHAPEL

**A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
(Common Worship)**

Welcome to our service.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive bread and wine, you are welcome to come forward for a prayer of blessing. The congregation are invited to join in the words in bold.

The order of service may vary slightly in different seasons.

The Gathering

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

All: **Amen.**

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

All: **And also with you.**

The president introduces the service

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.**

Jesus said:

Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled.
As members of God's family,
we come together to ask our Father for forgiveness.

All: **Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
That we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you our God.
Amen.**

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**

The celebrant will say the Collect (the church's prayer for the day), and all respond

All: **Amen**

The Liturgy of the Word

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

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

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called children of God.
We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

All:

The table is prepared for Holy Communion

The Lord is here

All: **God's Spirit is with us**

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**

It is indeed right,
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly king,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

[*The prayer continues according to the season*]

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.*

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;

we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.
Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise.

**All: Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ
**All: Though we are many, we are one body
Because we all share in one bread.**
The celebrant invites the congregation to receive communion.

After communion, the celebrant says a post communion prayer before all are invited to pray the following:

**All: Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The celebrant gives a blessing, to which all respond:

All: Amen

Go in the peace of Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

Thank you for coming today. Please hand this order of service back to the Chaplain/Chapel Warden at the end. For other services in the Chapel, see our Term Card.

The Chaplain is available to meet confidentially with anyone in the college community on any matter. Email chaplain@girton.cam.ac.uk or visit D4A.

The Chaplain also would be glad to hear from anyone interested in helping with the life of the College Chapel. Get in touch and come and have a chat!



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