# St Mary Magdalene, Geddington and St Mary the Virgin, Weekley



# Harvest Festival with Holy Communion

# The Gathering

Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you O Lord, and of your own do we give you.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you:
and also with you.
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end:
They are new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness, O God.

Prayer of Preparation

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we bless you for all you have created,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

# Symbols of the Harvest

Let us hold up the symbols of the harvest, gifts that God has created and his sun and rain have nurtured.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of the cornfields, the oats and the wheat, the rye and the barley.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of roots, the swedes and mangolds, turnips and sugar beet.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of seeds for next year's crops, for clover, for hay and for corn.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of vegetables, peas, potatoes, beans and hops.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of pears and apples, berries and herbs.

#### Thanks be to God.

For the harvest of flowers, the finest blooms from our gardens and our fields.

#### Thanks be to God.

Bring up the grain and the grape, for our Saviour took bread and wine to feed us with his body and his blood, given and shed for the life of the world. Let us feed on him by faith with thanksgiving.

#### Thanks be to God.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him, all creatures here below, praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

# Prayers of Penitence

Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor, and repent of the ways in which we waste the resources of the world.

Lord, you give us this good earth, yet we take your generous gifts for granted. Lord, have mercy.

# Lord, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we squander its rich resources. Christ, have mercy.

#### Christ, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we fail to share your bounty with all of your children. Lord, have mercy.

#### Lord, have mercy.

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 Gloria

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

Bible Reading(s)

After the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# The Gospel Reading

The reader announces the Gospel:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to N. Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed Please Stand

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

After each prayer, we may say:

Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.** 

At the end of the prayers of intercession, the following may be said:

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

The Peace Please Stand

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

# Preparation of the Table

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.
You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

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.

The Lord's Prayer

Please Sit

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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

# Agnus Dei

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

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

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

Please remain seated to receive the bread.

Those who may be watching the service at home can say this prayer during the distribution

# Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly pray that you would come spiritually to my soul. Come, Lord Jesus, come and cleanse me, heal me, strengthen me, and unite me to you, now and for evermore. Amen

# Prayer after Communion

Lord of all Creation, as we have received the bread and wine, Fruits of the earth and tokens of salvation, so with joy we celebrate your goodness And commit ourselves to serve you on your earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Notices** 

#### Blessing

May God who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky, who leads the lambs to pasture and the deer to water, who multiplied loaves and fishes and changed water into wine, lead us, feed us, multiply us, and change us to reflect the glory of our Creator through all eternity; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord;

In the name of Christ. Amen



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