

New Year's Day Communion | 10:00 am

Greeting

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

Collect for Purity

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.

Penitence

Lord, have mercy on us,
and write these your laws in our hearts.

Confession and Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may walk in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Glory to God *page 203*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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.

Collect of the Day

Lesson Numbers 6: 22–27

The Lord said to Moses, Tell Aaron and his sons, This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

'The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face towards you
and give you peace.'

So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Psalm 8

**Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

You have set your glory in the heavens.

Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

**Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

You have made human beings a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honour.

You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:

all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,
the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.

**Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Acclamations

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last,
the beginning and the end.

Alleluia.

Gospel Luke 2: 15–21

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Luke chapter 2 beginning at verse 15 **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.'

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Prayers of the People

Faithful God

glorify your name.

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you

Taking the Bread & Wine

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us
therefore let us celebrate the feast.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... for ever praising you and saying:

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!

...Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

.. in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**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 Bread

The bread which we break
is a sharing in the body of Christ.
**We being many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Receiving Communion

Prayer after Communion

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of 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.**

Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the name of Christ. Amen.