

St Peter's, Bishop's Waltham 1st Sunday of September to Advent Thorne Setting

You are welcome with us today whether you have come in person or are joining us online.

Welcome and Notices

Welcome and quiet prayer

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.

Hymn (Please stand)

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

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Invitation to Confession (Please sit)

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Please keep a moment of quiet

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

God's forgiveness is declared

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

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. Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest! 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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest! 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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

The Collect – a prayer for today

Bible Readings



Reading(s) This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn (Please stand)

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

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon (Please sit)

Let us respond by affirming our faith: Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures; he was buried; he was raised to life on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures; afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to all the apostles: this we have received, and this we believe. Amen. (1 Corinthians 15.3-7)

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer. or Lord, hear us Lord, graciously hear us.

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

Communion Prayer

The Peace: The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you. Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn (Please stand) During which a collection is taken

Thanksgiving prayers or others are said for the gifts and bread and wine:

God of life, Saviour of the poor, receive with these gifts gratitude for your goodness and dedication to your service in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ, our risen high priest; make yourself known in the breaking of bread. **Amen.**

or

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.**

(Please sit)

A welcome is given to communion or for a blessing and for personal prayer.



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 thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The Last Supper is recalled

Choir: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

the prayer continues until Amen.

We pray together:

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.

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

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.

Draw near with faith receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, his blood which he shed for you, and his blessing which is his special gift. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Please come for communion or a blessing. If you receive communion in any Christian Church, you are very welcome here with us.

If you would like personal prayer, for yourself or someone else, please make your way to the Clergy vestry after you have received. Please sing or keep a prayerful silence during the giving of communion. After Communion, a

Post-Communion Prayer, then: 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.

Blessing

Hymn (Please stand)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional Music

Afterwards, you are very welcome to stay for refreshments and with those coming to the next service.



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