

Celebrant: In the name of Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
All: **Amen.**  
Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
All: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: To prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

Celebrant: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:  
Lord have mercy  
All: **Lord have mercy.**  
Celebrant: You came to call sinners:  
Christ have mercy.  
All: **Christ have mercy.**  
Celebrant: You plead for us at the right hand of the father:  
Lord have mercy.  
All: **Lord have mercy.**

#### OPENING PRAYER

At the conclusion all respond: **Amen**

#### FIRST READING

Prophet Isaiah 25: 6-9  
Read by Antoinette Rose

Reader The word of the Lord.  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM 23- TO BE SUNG BY ALL

**The Lord is my Shepherd;  
There is nothing I shall want  
The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
when he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit.**

**He guides me along the right path:  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and staff;  
with these you give me comfort.**

**You have prepared a banquet for me  
In the sight of my foes  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing.**

**Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever.**

## SECOND READING

St. Pauls to the Romans 8:31–35. 37–39

Read by Danny Hodgson

Reader: The word of the Lord  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All: **Alleluia. alleluia!**  
**It is my Father's will, says the Lord,**  
**That who ever believes in the Son**  
**Shall have eternal life,**  
**And that I shall raise him up on the last day.**  
**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

Celebrant: The lord be with you.  
All: **And with your spirit:**  
Celebrant: A reading from the Gospel according to John,  
All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL READING

According to John 14:1-6  
There are many rooms in my father's house.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled  
Trust in God still, and trust in me.  
There are many rooms in my Father's house;  
if there were not, I should have told you.  
I am going now to prepare a place for you,  
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,  
I shall return to take you with me;  
so that where I am  
you may be too.  
You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said. 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how  
can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the way, the Truth and the Life.  
No one can come to the Father except through me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.  
All: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**BIDDING PRAYERS**  
**TO BE READ BY FAMILY MEMBERS**

For Gloria who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life,  
that she may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

Lord, in your mercy:  
Response: **Hear our prayer.**

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kindgom. Grant  
them an everlasting home with your Son.

Lord, in your mercy:  
Response: **Hear our prayer.**

Pray for all those in our community who are experiencing great sadness  
at the loss of a loved one. May they receive comfort and strength.

Lord, in your mercy:  
Response: **Hear our prayer.**

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith,  
that we may be gathered together again in God's Kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy:  
Response: **Hear our prayer.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

As I kneel before you,  
as I bow my head in prayer,  
take this day, make it yours  
and fill me with your love.  
Ave Maria, gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.

All I have I give you,  
ev'ry dream and wish are ypur's;  
mother of Christ, mother of mine,  
present them to my Lord.

As I kneel before you,  
and I see your smiling face,  
ev'ry thought, ev'ry word  
is lost in your embrace.

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

During the offertory Hymn the gifts of bread and wine are brought in procession. The priest offers the prayers of blessing quietly at the altar. If the priest says the prayers aloud the assembly's acclamation each time is Blessed be God forever. The Priest completes additional personal preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**All:            May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
                  for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Then the priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim.

**All:            Amen**

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Be still for the presence of the Lord  
The Holy One is here  
Come bow before Him now  
With reverence and fear  
In Him no sin is found  
We stand on holy ground  
Be still for the presence of the Lord  
The Holy one is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around  
He burns with holy fire  
With splendor He is crowned  
How awesome is the sight  
Our radiant King of light  
Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place  
He comes to cleanse and heal  
To minister His grace  
No work too hard for Him  
In faith receive from Him  
Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place.

### **EULOGY**

Read by Philip Hayhurst