

St Anne's, Eastville

Community Communion 27th October 2024

Welcome and Introduction; then all sing

**Gather around, for the table is spread,
welcome the food and rest!
Wide is our circle, with Christ at the head,
he is the honoured guest.
Learn of his love, grow in his grace,
pray for the peace he gives;
here at this meal, here in this place,
know that his Spirit lives!
Once he was known in the breaking of bread,
shared with a chosen few;
multitudes gathered and by him were fed,
so he will he feed us too.**

Reading: (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you,
that the Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed,
took a loaf of bread,
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,
'This is my body, which is broken for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'
In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying,
'This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'
For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

All can then consider, and share, what Holy Communion means to us.

We offer our prayers in silence or aloud, using the response:

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer!**

Jesus said: "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you."

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And with your spirit.**

This song is sung as the bread and wine are brought to the altar:

**This is my body, broken for you, bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it, and when you do, do it in love for me.**

**This is my blood poured out for you, bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it, and when you do, do it in love for me.**

**Back to my Father soon I shall go. Do not forget me; then you will see.
I am still with you, and you will know you're very close to me.**

**Filled with my Spirit, how you will grow! You are my branches; I am the tree.
If you are faithful, others will know you are alive in me.**

**Love one another – I have loved you, and I have shown you how to be free;
serve one another, and when you do, do it in love for me.**

Eucharistic response: Halle, halle, halle – lu – jah! (3x); Hallelujah, hallelujah!

The Eternal One be with you! **And with your spirit!**

Lift up your hearts **We lift them to the Eternal One.**

Let us give thanks to the Giver of Bread.

With delight we give thanks and praise.

We thank you that you pour yourself out in love, creating a world of deep beauty and fragility. **Halle, halle, halle...**

We thank you that you pour yourself out in the love of your Son, in his life and on the cross, and in this holy Sacrament. **Halle, halle...**

We thank you that you pour yourself out in the Holy Spirit, whom we now pray to transfigure these gifts of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. **Halle, halle, halle...**

We thank you that, on the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, blessed it and broke it, saying Take, eat, this is my Body. **Halle, halle, halle ...**

We thank you that after supper he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, blessed it and shared it, saying Drink this, all of you: this is my Blood. **Halle, halle, halle...**

We thank you that he rose from the dead and ascended into heaven, entrusting us to carry his Good News to the ends of the earth. **Halle, halle, halle...**

We thank you that in this Holy Communion he makes us one with his mother Mary, with St Anne, St Mark, St Thomas, and all your people in heaven and on earth; as through him, with him, and in him, we join in their eternal song of praise. **Halle, halle, halle...**

Let us pray with Jesus that our bodies and our souls may be fed:

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.**

Communion Song:

♩ = 60

O Je - sus, giver of bread, O Je - sus, giver of life! O

Song for going out:

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice!

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice!

Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice!

Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice!