



Sung Eucharist in Advent

Welcome

A warm welcome to worship at Newcastle Cathedral. If you are new, or a visitor today, please make yourself known to one of the clergy after the service – it is a joy to have you with us today.

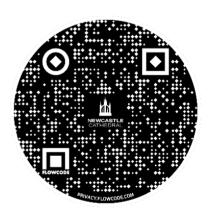
A large print copy of this service sheet is available; please ask one of our welcome team at the door.

Please refrain from taking photographs during the service. Toilets are available at the far end of the Cathedral; please ask one of our welcomers if you need directions, and take care to move quietly when passing the organ loft.

During worship we are invited to sit or stand. This is only an invitation. Please move or stay seated as works best for you as we worship God together.

Giving to Newcastle Cathedral

The Cathedral needs and appreciates your financial support. A collection plate will be passed around during the service into which you can give cash or pay by card. Please give as generously as you are able. Gift Aid envelopes are available from the welcomers by the door. If you prefer, you can make a one-off donation, or to find out how to give regularly, simply scan this QR code.



Music

Director of Music:
Assistant Director of Music:

Ian Roberts Kris Thomsett

Order of Service

The Gathering

Hymn

Please stand, as you are comfortable, to sing the opening hymn which can be found in the separate booklet.

During this hymn the procession enters; the choir moving to their places, the altar party remaining by the Advent Wreath.

At the end of the hymn, the president says

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

All Amen.

The Greeting

The president greets the people.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

The Advent Wreath

The Advent Wreath is lit and a minister may offer one of the following prayers:

Advent 1:

People of God: awake!
The day is coming soon
when you shall see God face to face.
Remember the ways and the works of God.
God calls you out of darkness
to walk in the light of his coming.
You are God's children.

All: Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and for ever. Amen.

Advent 2:

People of God: be glad! Your God delights in you, giving you joy for sadness and turning the dark to light. Be strong in hope therefore; for your God comes to save. You are God's children.

All: Lord, make us one in the love of Christ today and for ever. Amen.

Advent 3:

People of God: return!
You are called to be God's own.
From the mountains announce the good news.
God comes in justice and peace,
to all who follow his ways.
You are God's children.

All: Lord, make us one in the peace of Christ today and for ever. Amen.

Advent 4:

People of God: prepare! God, above all, maker of all, is one with us in Christ. Maranatha!

All: Come, Lord Jesus!

God, the mighty God, bends down in love to earth. Maranatha!

All: Come, Lord Jesus!

God with us, God beside us, comes soon to the world he has made.

Maranatha!

All: Come, Lord Jesus!

We are God's children, we seek the coming Christ. Maranatha!

All: Come, Lord Jesus!

On weeks when the Junior Church meets, members are prayed for before they leave for their group. New members are always welcome! Please speak to a welcomer, or member of clergy, to find out more.

The procession moves to their places, as the choir sings verses from the Advent Prose.

Prayers of Penitence

The deacon says:

A voice cries out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.' So let us listen, and turn to the Lord in penitence and faith. God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong that we have thought
and said and done,
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Kyrie Eleison is sung by the choir.

Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy
Christe eleison Christ have mercy
Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy

The president says this form of Absolution.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect

The president introduces the Prayer for the day, with the words

Let us pray

Silence is kept.

The president prays the Collect, found in the separate booklet, and all respond

All Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

An Old Testament and a New Testament reading from Scripture precede the Gospel reading.

All the readings can be found in the separate booklet.

At the end of each the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Please stand, as you are comfortable, to face the Gospel. This acclamation is sung.

First time: Choir; Second time: All; After sentence: All.



The choir sings a refrain between the acclamations.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.



At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

A sermon is preached.

The sermon may be followed by a time of silence.

The Creed

Please stand, as comfortable, to say The Nicene Creed.

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The president introduces the prayers. Sit to pray. One of these responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy (or) Lord hear us.

All hear our prayer. All Lord graciously hear us.

The prayers may end with

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand, as you are comfortable.

The president introduces the Peace with the words

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *All* and also with you.

The deacon invites all to exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn

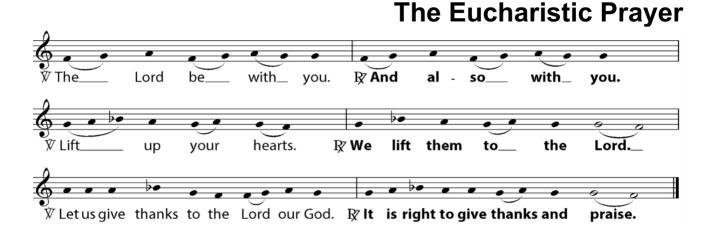
The Offertory Hymn is sung as the altar is prepared. During the hymn a collection is taken.

Words for the hymn can be found in the separate booklet.

The president says this offertory prayer.

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement; draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory.

All Amen.



From the First Sunday of Advent until 16 December

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.

For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory for ever praising you and singing: (page 14)

From 17 December until Christmas Eve

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.

He is the one foretold by all the prophets, whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling.

John the Baptist was his herald and made him known when at last he came.

In his love Christ fills us with joy as we prepare to celebrate his birth, so that when he comes again he may find us watching in prayer, our hearts filled with wonder and praise.

And so, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your glory, and join in their unending hymn of praise: (page 14)

The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The deacon says:

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of The Blessed Virgin Mary, St Nicholas and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



Please kneel or sit.

The Lord's Prayer

As we join our prayers with those of the Universal Church, so we pray, each in our own language or form, as our Saviour taught us:

All 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 of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

All we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Giving of Communion

The president says this invitation to communion.

God's holy gifts,
For God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Agnus Dei is sung as the bread is broken.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis;
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis;
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

All who normally receive the bread and wine in any church are welcome to take Holy Communion here today. Please follow the directions of the Wardens and stewards. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head and keep your hands at your sides when you come, to signal your intention. If you need to receive communion in your seat, please make this known to the Wardens or stewards.

Gluten free wafers are available; please ask if you require one. When receiving the wine, please drink from the cup.

During the distribution, the choir sings an anthem (words can be found in the separate booklet), otherwise, silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

The Post Communion prayer is said, found in the separate booklet, and all respond

All Amen.

All 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.

The Dismissal

Hymn

The Final Hymn is sung.

Words for the hymn can be found in the separate booklet.

The president says

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The president uses this blessing.

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The deacon says:

Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

All Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

All Amen.

The ministers and choir depart.

You are then invited to sit for the duration of the organ voluntary.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. If you are able, please join us now for refreshments.

If you are new, or a visitor, we hope that we will see you again soon.

Please leave this service book to be reused.

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