



A EUCHARISTIC LITURGY FOR A SUNDAY CELEBRATING YOUNG PEOPLE *September 2022*

Welcome

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

All: And also with you.

Call to Worship

Leader: Gather us in,
The lost and the lonely,
The broken and breaking,
The tired and aching
Who long for the nourishment
Found at your feast.

All: Gather us in,

Leader: The done and doubting,
The wishing and wondering,
The puzzled and pondering
Who long for the company
Found at your feast.

All: Gather us in,

Leader: the bright and the bustling,
The stirrers, the shakers,
The kind laughter makers
Who long for deeper joys
Found at your feast.

Leader: Gather us in, Eternal God

All: Be present here,

Meet us here,

Renew us here.

(From a Wee Worship Book, 1999)

Collect of Purity

Celebrant: Let us pray

All:

**Almighty God, you bring to light things
hidden in darkness, and know**

**the shadows of our hearts:
Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit,
that we may walk in the light and glorify
your name, through Jesus Christ,
the Light of the world, Amen.**

Celebrant: Glory to the Father:

All: Glory to the Son.

Celebrant: Glory to the Spirit:

All: For ever three in One.

Absolution

**O God, you have searched us out and known us,
and all that we are is open to you.
We confess that we have sinned;
We have used our power to dominate and
our weakness to manipulate;
We have evaded responsibility and failed to control evil;
We have denied dignity to ourselves and each other and fallen into despair.
We turn to you, o God, we renounce evil;
We claim your love; we choose to be whole.**

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on us, pardon our sins and set us free from them, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness and keep us all in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

(by Anglican women's conference 2002)

Collect

Ministry of the Word

First Reading:

Psalm:

Second Reading:

Gospel reading:

Homily

Youth Creed

**We as young people believe in a God of freedom
A God who accepts us as we are.
We believe in a God that provided and
understands our use of technology.
We believe in a God who is able to bring**

joy and laughter.
We believe in a God that grants us peace.
We believe in Christ who
understands us because He was here.
We believe in Christ who faced the challenges we faced
Yet you overcame it and we shall overcome them too.
We believe in a Spirit
that brings us to tears and makes us
laugh at the same time.
We believe in a Spirit that is not bound by
Space and time.
We believe in a Spirit that grants us wisdom .
We believe in a triune God
That is able to reclaim the young people
through our willpower and His grace.
Amen

(by PYC 2017 Consultation Chaplains in Modderpoort)

Prayers

Leader:

Children of God, as we humbly come before God in search of healing, comfort, and strength, let us faithfully and honestly hold before God our hearts:

Almighty and everlasting God, creator of all that is visible and invisible...

We thank you for the love that you have for us that was revealed through your Son our saviour Jesus Christ... (add specific prayers)

We thank you for the opportunity that you have given us to gather here as young people to pray for our country... (add specific prayers)

to pray for your people and their needs... (add specific prayers)

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Leader:

Heavenly father, you have given us leaders to guide us, we pray for them in the hope and faith that they will see the cry of your people and be compassionate with their situations and respond adequately.

Show our leaders the righteous way to lead this country... (add specific prayers)

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Leader

Father we pray for all those who are struggling to find their feet after the devastation brought of by the COVID-19 pandemic. For those struggling to find employment, those who mourn lost opportunities, those battling with mental illness and those who suffer silently and are afraid to ask for help... (add specific prayers)

Father, we pray for all those that have been admitted into the hospital and need special care... (add specific prayers)

Manifest your healing power on their lives, that they may be healed and find strength and comfort in you.

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Leader:

We pray for the children, and young people, we pray that you give us homes where love exists and give us strength to continue to serve you in all circumstances.

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Leader:

Merciful father, we pray for those that have lost their lives, may you grant them peaceful and eternal rest.

We pray for the families that are recovering from their loss. We pray for those that lost their breadwinners. We also pray for the children that became orphans and parents that had to bury their children.

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

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

Peace

Celebrant: (Sentence in connection with readings)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: Peace be with you.

The Offertory

Prayer for Presentation of Gifts

Faithful Father, thank you for the gift of eternal life. Everything we have is a gift from you. We bring our offerings to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: Is God with us?

All: God is.

Celebrant: Is Christ among us?

All: He is.

Celebrant: Is the Spirit here?

All: He is.

Celebrant : This is our God:

All: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Celebrant: We are his people:

All: We are redeemed.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise, Holy Father, living God, supreme over the world: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life. From a wandering nomad you created your family; from a burdened people you raised up a leader; for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets.

In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image, bringing your kingdom, revealing your will, dying, rising, reigning, remaking your people for yourself.

Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life.

Therefore, with angels, archangels, and all in heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full
of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest**

Celebrant:

Almighty God, Creator of all things, we thank you for giving up your only Son to die on the cross for us who owe you everything.

Pour your refreshing Spirit on us as we remember him in the way he commanded. Pour your Holy Spirit over these ordinary elements of bread and wine so that they may become his body and blood.

On the same night that Jesus was betrayed, he 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."

All: Amen. His body was broken for us.

Celebrant:

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."

All: Amen. His blood shed for us.

Celebrant:

Therefore, heavenly Father, hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy, and await the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. He died in our place, making a full atonement for the sins of the whole world, the perfect sacrifice, once and for all.

You accepted his offering by raising him from death, and granting him great honour at your right hand on high.

Through him, with him and in him, through the power of the Holy Spirit: all might, majesty, dominion and power are yours, Loving God. Forever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: For the coming of God's kingdom of love and justice , we pray together

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer,
Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.

Amen.

(Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer)

Celebrant: I am because we are:

All: We are because God is.

Celebrant: We are one body:

All: We share one bread.

Celebrant: Draw near with faith:

All: Christ is the host and we are his guests.

Communion

Post communion prayers

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious

His mercy endures forever

Almighty God, Holy Father, we have sat at your feet, learned from your word, and eaten from your table.

We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family.

Send us out with your blessing, to live and

**to witness for you in the power of your
Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the first
born from the dead. Amen**

**Father of everlasting compassion
You see your children growing up
in an uncertain and confusing world:
Show them the path of life
Enable them to triumph over failure and frustration
To hold fast their faith in you
And to keep alive their joy in your creation;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**

Developed from:

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A Wee Worship Book 1999

Confession and Absolution - by Anglican women's conference 2002

Youth Creed - by PYC 2017 Consultation Chaplains in Modderpoort

Our Father - Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa.