



Sharing the Feast of Life on Trinity Sunday

Introductory music, followed by welcome by ministry team member

Centring chant

**Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho:
Your will be done on earth, O Lord.**

Opening hymn

Gathering

God beyond all names and images:
we worship you in faith.

God in Christ with human face:
we worship you in truth.

God, breath of life:
we worship you in Spirit.

**God in three persons,
God the beginning and God the end,
you are our God.**

We sing:

Come, Holy Spirit, **Come, Holy Spirit ...**
Come, Holy Spirit, **Come, Holy Spirit ...**
Maranatha, **Maranatha ...**
Come, Lord, come, **Come, Lord, come ...**

Prayer of Reconciliation

We acknowledge the pain and hurt of our world, and our part in that pain, and we seek to know God's forgiveness and healing:

We have wounded your love:
O God, forgive and heal us.

We stumble in the darkness:
Light of the world, transfigure us.

We forget that we are your home:
Spirit of God, dwell in us.

2-minute silence, begun & ended by the sounding of a bell

Absolution

The prophet Isaiah said:

'Can a woman forget the infant at her breast,
Or a mother the child of her womb?
As a mother comforts her child,
So I will comfort you, says the Lord.'

We live in God's love, healing and forgiveness.
Let us forgive and love ourselves,
Let us forgive and love others,
In the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to our Maker.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to our Maker.
To God be glory for ever.
To God be glory for ever.
Alleluia, Amen.
Alleluia, Amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to our Saviour.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to our Saviour.
To Christ be glory for ever.
To Christ be glory for ever.
Alleluia, Amen.
Alleluia, Amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory Holy Spirit.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory Holy Spirit.
Give us your freedom for ever.
Give us your freedom for ever.
Alleluia, Amen.
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Prayer for the Day

... after which the president sends the children out to Kids' Church, accompanied by a member of the adult congregation carrying the Kids' Church lamp.

Ministry of the Word

First reading

At the end of the first reading the reader says:
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn

The Gospel

Before the Gospel reading the reader says:
The Gospel reading is from ...
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel reading the reader says:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon or other reflection

5-minute silence for prayerful reflection on what we have heard, begun and ended by the sounding of a bell

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in a loving God,
whose Word sustains our lives
and the work of our hands in the world.
God is Life!

We believe in God's Son amongst us,
sowing the seed of life's renewal.
He lived with the poor to show the meaning of love.
Jesus Christ is Lord!

We believe in the Holy Spirit of life,
making us one with God,
renewing our strength with her own.
The Spirit is Love!

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession

The Peace

We sing:

Come and fill our hearts with your love:
You alone, O God, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your love: Alleluia!

We continue singing as the children return and bring up the bread and wine for the celebrant.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

We share the Peace with one another, and then gather around the altar.

The Preparation of the Gifts

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer,
at your table we present this money,
symbolic of all our giving,
and of the work you have given us to do:
use it, use us, in the service of your world
to the glory of your name.

Amen.

The minister thanks God for the bread and wine and for ourselves. At the end of each prayer we say together:

Blessed be God for ever.

Thanksgiving Prayer

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Open up your hearts.

We open them to God.

Let us give thanks to the God of all.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*The minister offers our thanks and praise, finishing with:
We sing together:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of heaven and earth adored,
Ceasing never, God for ever,
Holy, holy Lord.**

The minister says the words of institution, finishing with these or similar words:

Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.

**By your cross and resurrection
you have set us free:
you are the liberator of the world.**

Spirit of God, come afresh on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine
that they may make us one body in Christ.

Open our eyes
that we may recognise you walking with us;

Open our ears and our minds
that we may hear your word;

Open our hearts
**that your love may flow through us
and bring the blessing of new life to all we meet;**

For you are the God who makes all things new,
and surprises us into understanding.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

O God in heaven,
**Mother and Father of us all,
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.**

Fourfold Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread ... [*x4*]

The bread we break
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God

We sing:

Jesus, Lamb of God:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world:
give us your peace.

Invitation

The minister invites all to receive Communion.

The Communion

*Each person receives, responding **Amen** to the words of the minister:*

The body of Christ, the bread of life: **Amen**
The blood of Christ, the cup of blessing: **Amen**

After receiving, anyone who wishes may go to receive prayer for healing and then return to the circle (or to their seat).

We remain standing around the altar until everyone has received communion, and then return to our seats. We wait in silence (or singing a suitable chant) until the prayers for healing are finished.

Prayer after Communion

Lord, our minds seek to know you,
our hearts long to find you,
our souls desire to serve you.
Send us out, aware of your presence,
that our hearts may be renewed,
our minds refreshed,
our souls restored,
that we may reveal you to others,
and know you ourselves,
as Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices

*Before we sing the **final hymn**, Kids' Church and the adult congregation may share what they have been doing.*

Celtic Blessing

The blessing of God and the Lord be yours,
The blessing of the perfect Spirit be yours,
The blessing of the Three be pouring for you:
Wildly and generously,
Hour by hour,
More and more,
And for ever.
Amen.

Dismissal

We sing (to the tune 'Praise my Soul the King of Heaven'):

Praise the Lover of Creation,
Praise the Spirit, Friend of Friends,
Praise the true Beloved, our Saviour,
Praise the God who makes and mends:
strong, surrendered, many-splendoured,
Three whose Oneness never ends.

The Divine Spirit dwells in us.
Thanks be to God.