

ORDER OF SERVICE
ALL AGE EUCHARIST
Today our theme is:
Mothering Sunday

We are welcomed to worship by ROSIE, Minister of the Word

We watch a short video about All Age worship from Kaz, Oscar and Felix

We sing our praises to God – This is the Day

PREPARATION

Revd Liz introduces the theme.

We Greet Each Other in the Lord's Name

In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit
Amen

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

We Confess Our Sins – the bad things we do and the good things we fail to do – Roberta will lead the confession (with thanks to Diddy Disciples)

Roberta takes a pebble, holds it in the air and feels its weight
When we do things that make God or other people sad it can make us feel heavy and weighed down inside, like this pebble weighs our hand down.....

When we're feeling sad and heavy, we can give our feelings to God

The Bible says,
God will sink all our wrong things to the bottom of the sea!

So let's put our pebbles in gently and watch them sink to the bottom

Roberta drops her pebble in

Let's imagine God sinking the wrong things we've done to the bottom of the sea!

Pause

The good news is God always wants to give us a new start

God gives me a new start.

We Sing the Kyrie

We receive God's forgiveness

May the God of love bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We keep a Time of Silence and Pray the Special Prayer for Today

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We have a Quiz Who is my Mother?

We Sing Our Praises to God – For the Beauty of the Earth

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Bradley reads the Gospel

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

We Respond to the Word of God

Revd Liz preaches with the help of Ali, May, Cheyanne and Kayden, Matilda and Merlin, Oscar and Felix, Maksymilan, Issi, Catherine, Liz B and Joan

We Say What We Believe –

We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.

We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

We pray for the Church and The World – Kenya, Rob, Laura and Marie pray on our behalf

ending with,

God of mercy,
hear our prayer and make us one in heart and mind to serve you
with joy forever. Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

We Share The Peace

Praise God who loves us.
All Praise God who cares.
Through the prophet Isaiah, God says,
'As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you.'
The peace of the Lord be always with you
All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We Sing Our Praises to God – Tell Out, My Soul, The Greatness of the Lord

We Prepare The Table

We Pray The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here
His Spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Question Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.
Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Question Why do we share this bread and wine?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'
So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Question How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day

when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.
And now with Thomas, Luke and Richard and all your saints
we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for
ever. Amen.

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
And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever Amen.

We break the bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
 whoever eats of this bread will live for
 ever.

All Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
 give us this bread always.

Invitation to Communion

The church of God is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ. By
making our communion spiritually, we join with Christians everywhere to be nourished by
the one who tells us 'I am the bread of life'.

President God's Holy Gifts for God's holy people
 Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father. Amen

The president receives communion.

Communion Music -- A Gaelic Blessing by John Rutter

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness

to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTICES – Are given by Jim

ROSIE – introduces a final reflection and images of flowers

THE DISMISSAL

We go out with God's blessing
Praise God who loves us.
Praise God who cares.

May God, who gave birth to all creation, bless you:
may God, who was born of an earthly mother, bless you:
may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless you.
May almighty God bless you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen

We Sing Our Praises to God – Siyahamba

We go out to join in with what God's doing