

After receiving, if you would like personal prayer for yourself or anyone else, please make your way to the vestry where members of our prayer team will be pleased to pray with you in a simple way.

We now thank God for our communion with him and each other:

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 to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

Notices

Giving of a lighted candle



You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Blessing

The Lord bless us and watch over us, the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us. The Lord look kindly on us and give us his peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen**

Hymn

During the hymn the lit candles are carried to the back

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

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Please do stay for refreshments after the service and you are welcome to take photographs with family and friends around the font.

St Peter's Bishop's Waltham

Family Communion with Baptism

You are warmly welcome to our church family today and we hope you feel at home.

Please do ask any member of the congregation for anything you need.

Members of our Baptism Team are available to help with children at the back on the carpeted area.



Welcome

Opening Prayer

God rejoices when we come together to worship Him. So we have gathered as His family, knowing He is with us.
Help us Lord to praise You.

We will hear what He wants to teach us through the Bible.
Help us Lord to learn from You.

We will pray to Him about the needs of the world.

Help us Lord to pray to You.

We will ask Him to forgive us our sins.

Help us Lord to be truly sorry.

We will enjoy the friendship of our church family.

Help us Lord to love each other. Amen.

Hymn

Confession

For times when we have deliberately done things which we know are wrong:

Lord God we are so sorry.

For times when we knew the right thing to do, but decided not to do it:

Lord God we are so sorry.

For times when the situation was so difficult that we could barely help doing wrong:

Lord God we are so sorry.

For times when our words and actions have hurt those who love us:

Lord God we are so sorry.

For times when we haven't put much effort into following You:

Lord God we are so sorry.

Absolution

May God who loves us all so much that he sent his only Son to be our saviour, forgive us for all the wrong we think, say or do, and fill us with his Spirit so that we may follow Jesus - the way the truth and the life.
Amen

Baptism Prayer

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by your Holy Spirit, that being born again we may serve you in faith and love, and grow to be more like your Son Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Children's Groups

Those who would like to go to our children's groups please make your way to the back.

Hymn

Bible Reading and Sermon

Reading/s

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Baptism

*Please gather around the Font
Please use the Baptism Service Sheet*



Prayers

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

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

The Peace

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn (Offertory)

Communion

Please be seated

We give thanks to God for the blessings of all that we receive and can give back to him and others:

God of life, Saviour of the poor in Spirit, receive with this money our gratitude for your goodness. We thank you for these gifts of bread and wine to remember that you gave your life for us. May we know your real presence with us by your Holy Spirit in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.



It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son. In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth**

**are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna
in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

So draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. **Amen**

A moment of quiet

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Please come for communion or a blessing. If you receive communion in any Christian Church, you are welcome here with us.