



A short Celtic Communion Service



Welcome and Introduction

A time for saying sorry, and bringing to God the things of the day

Son of Mary

Have mercy on us

Carpenter of Nazareth

Have mercy on us

Healer of the sick

Have mercy on us

Bringer of good news

Have mercy on us

Saviour of the poor

Have mercy on us

Disturber of the mighty

Have mercy on us

You, who move towards Jerusalem,

Facing our darkness, our death,

Have mercy on us

You, who call us sister, brother, mother, friend:

Your body, here

Have mercy on us

Holy God, we bring our ourselves, all that we are, all that we long to be, our weakness, our failures, our sinfulness, our brokenness.

We hear God's words of forgiveness

May the God of love and power

forgive and free you from your sins,

heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit,

and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Song or songs may be sung here

The Collect (*a special prayer for the day*)

First Reading

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

A Song or songs may be sung here

Time for Reflection

Time for Prayer

- for the needs of the world, our community and the church.

Prayers conclude with the Lords Prayer, do join in.

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.

We share the peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you
and also with you.

A Song or songs may be sung here

The Communion

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.
It is the table of company with Jesus
And with all those who love him.
It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,
with whom Jesus identified himself.
It is the table of communion with the earth
in which Christ became incarnate.
So, come to this table, you who have much faith
And you who would like to have more;
You who have been to this sacrament often,
And you who have not been for a long time;
You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed.
Come. It is Christ himself who invites us to meet him here now.

Blessed are you, O God
For you have brought forth bread from the earth.

Blessed are you, O God,
For you have created the fruit of the vine

In the beginning you watered the earth
That all might have food and drink.

You gave to your servant Sarah
Bread to strengthen her family on their journey,
And wine to make them glad.
**You called Moses and his people out of bondage
And refreshed them with food in the wilderness.**

You gave Mary and Joseph their daily bread to share.
**And here at your table
You offer us bread and wine for the journey
To nourish us as sons and daughters.**

And so with all our sisters and brothers,
Before us and beside us, near and far.
We join in the song of your unending greatness:
**Holy, holy holy, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Glory be to you, O God most high.**

Among friends, gathered round a table
Jesus took bread, and, having blessed it,
He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying,
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.

In the same way after supper, he took the cup of wine
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.

So, now, following Jesus' example,
We take this bread and this wine;
the ordinary things of the world through which God will bless
us.
And as Jesus offered thanks for the gifts of the earth,
let us also celebrate God's goodness

Lord Jesus Christ, present with us now,
As we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room,
Breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine,
That they may be heaven's food for us.
Renewing, sustaining and making us whole,
That we may be your body on earth,
Loving and caring in the world.

Look, the bread of heaven is broken for the life of the world.
Here is Christ, coming to us in bread and wine
The gifts of God for the people of God.
(We give and receive bread and wine)

Prayer after Communion

**Holy God, we have seen with our eyes
And touched with our hands the bread of life:
Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for
each other,
Through Jesus Christ.
Amen**

Any notices are said here

A Song or songs may be sung here

The Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the
Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.
Amen

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