Prayer after Communion

Almighty and Everlasting God We thank you for reassuring us at this communion of your favour and goodness towards us; that we are truly members of the body of your Son; and that we are also heirs, through the hope, of your eternal kingdom. We humbly beg you, heavenly Father, to keep us as faithful members of your church and to strengthen us by your Spirit so that we may fulfil those good works which you have prepared for us to do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAISE THE LORD, HIS MERCY IS MORE.

Stronger than darkness, new every morn. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What love could remember what wrong we have done Omniscient, all knowing, He counts Not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, Our sins, they are many: His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us. His blood was the payment; His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

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Go in peace to speak and shine for Jesus, In the name of Christ, Amen.

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A Warm Welcome to St. Andrew's

31st March 2024 6:30pm Communion Service, Easter Sunday Phil Cairns is leading and Tim Partridge is preaching on Luke 24:36-53

We meet in the name of God Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

TO HIM BE THE GLORY

for all He has done. Praise to the Father who gave us His son. A ransom for many, He bled and died, Then rose in victory, Enthroned on high.

2. To Him be the glory in heaven and earth.
All of creation is shouting his worth.
The saints and the angels all live to proclaim:
The wonderful story, the glorious Name.

Oh look and see our God, and celebrate The power of the cross, and the empty grave, And now we're free let the redeemed lift up your heads Oh look and see our God 3. To Him be the glory He's coming again, And all of the sadness will come to an end. Oh, what a reunion; The bride and her King. Forever we'll praise Him, forever we'll sing.

Glory, glory to our God. Glory, glory to our God.

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THROUGH ALL LIFE'S SORROWS AND DESPAIRS.

I will not be moved. When facing death, I need not fear; I have this hope secure.

Because Christ died at Calvary, Sin has on me no claim; Because he overcame the grave, With him I will be raised.

Where O grave is your victory? Where O death is your sting? Eternity is won for me By heaven's eternal King!

On that glorious final day, I will not sleep or fade, But gazing on his nail pierced hands, I'll instantly be changed.

Robed with immortality, Before His throne we'll sing, At last reflecting perfectly The glory of our king!

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Confession

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us. Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

Prayers Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Reading - Luke 24:36-53, p 1062

This is the word of The Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sermon—Tim Partridge

BEHOLD THE LAMB WHO BEARS OUR SINS AWAY.

Slain for us: and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross

Find forgiveness at the cross. So, we share in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of peace Around the table of the King.

Around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
Torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings
us life,
Paid the price to make us one.
So, we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of love

3. The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,

Shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So, we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith we rise

To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

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Communion

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table, but you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.