

DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER  THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St Peter and St Paul, Rustington

Holy Eucharist with Baptism and Confirmation



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Sunday 17th July, 10am

We welcome the candidates for this Service of Baptism and Confirmation, along with their families and friends. Especially those from Walberton with Binsted and East Preston with Kingston. We rejoice with them at this significant moment on their journey of Christian faith and discipleship.

Confirmation marks the point in the Christian journey at which the participation in the life of God's people inaugurated at baptism is confirmed by the bishop by the laying on of hands, and in which those who have been baptised affirm for themselves the faith into which they have been baptised and their intention to live a life of responsible and committed discipleship. Through prayer and the laying on of hands by the confirming bishop, the Church also asks God to give them power through the Holy Spirit to enable them to live in this way.

Before the service begins, please take time to pray for the candidates and their life in Christ.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

*Members of the congregation are invited to join in texts printed in **bold**.*

Preparation

Stand as the Choir, Ministers and Bishop enter.

Hymn

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
The King of creation
O my soul, praise Him
For He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration

2. Praise to the Lord
Who o'er all things so wonderfully reigneth
Shieldeth thee gently from harm
Or when fainting sustaineth
Hast thou not seen how thy hearts wishes have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If to the end He befriend thee

4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath
Come now with praises before Him!
Let the 'Amen' sound from His people again
Gladly for aye we adore Him!

Remain standing.

The Greeting

The Bishop greets the people:

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

There is one body and one spirit.
There is one hope to which we are called;

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all.

Peace be with you
and also with you.

The Bishop introduces the service.

Gloria in excelsis

The Gloria is sung.

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God heavenly king, almighty God and Father.
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father.
Lord God, lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have
mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**For you alone are the holy One,
you alone are the Lord.
You alone, are the most high, Jesus Christ
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

The Collect

The Bishop says:

Let us pray.

All remain standing for a period of silent prayer.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 18.1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your

servant.’ So they said, ‘Do as you have said.’ ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, ‘Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.’

⁷ Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, ‘Where is your wife Sarah?’ And he said, ‘There, in the tent.’ ¹⁰ Then one said, ‘I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.’ And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

NEW TESTAMENT READING Colossians 1: 15-20

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn

1. O thou who camest from above
The fire celestial to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart!
2. There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return
In humble prayer and fervent praise.
3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up the gift in me.
4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat;
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make the sacrifice complete.

GOSPEL READING Luke 10: 38-end

When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

given by The Bishop

The Liturgy of Initiation

Presentation of the Candidates

The candidates for baptism and confirmation stand before the Bishop.

The Bishop sits and asks the candidate for baptism:

Do you wish to be baptised?

Candidate ***I do.***

The Bishop asks the candidates for confirmation and who have been baptised:

Have you been baptised in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?

Candidates ***I have.***

The Bishop asks all the candidates:

Are you ready with your own mouth and from your own heart to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?

Candidates ***I am.***

The congregation stands.

The Bishop addresses the whole congregation:

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome these candidates and uphold them in their life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

The Bishop addresses the candidates for baptism and confirmation:

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore, I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

Candidates respond ***I reject them.***

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

Candidates respond ***I renounce them.***

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

Candidates respond ***I repent of them.***

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

Candidates respond ***I turn to Christ.***

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

Candidates respond ***I submit to Christ.***

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

Candidates respond ***I come to Christ.***

The Bishop says:

May God who has given you the desire to follow Christ,
give you the strength to continue in the way.

Amen.

Signing with the Cross

The Bishop makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate for baptism saying:

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

When the candidate for baptism has been signed, the Bishop says:

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

The Bishop says:

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

The Bishop, ministers and candidates for baptism and confirmation gather at the baptismal font.

The congregations faces the font.

Prayer over the Water

Remain standing as the Bishop stands before the water of baptism, and says:

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water
to sustain, refresh and renew all life.
Over water the Holy Spirit moved
in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land.
In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit
as the Messiah, the Christ,
to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son,
we baptize into his fellowship
those who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
they may be cleansed from sin and born again.
Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith
and continue for ever in the risen life
of Jesus Christ our Lord;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

Profession of Faith

The Bishop addresses the congregation:

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates, the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven;
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Then the Bishop says:

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptised into your name.

Keep us faithful to our baptism,
and so make us ready for that day
when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Baptism

The Bishop addresses the candidate for baptism by name, saying:

N., is this your faith?

and candidate answers:

This is my faith.

If it is not certain whether a person has already been baptised with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, then the usual service of baptism is used, but the form of words at the baptism shall be:

N, if you have not already been baptised, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Bishop sprinkles the candidates for confirmation who have previously been baptised and then sprinkles the congregation with the baptismal waters, as a reminder of their own baptism.

Then the Bishop says:

Almighty God,

we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith
with all who have been baptised into your name.

Keep us faithful to our baptism,

and so make us ready for that day

when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Bishop, ministers and candidates gather at the place of confirmation.

The congregation sits and the candidates remain standing.

The Confirmation

The Bishop stands before those who are to be confirmed, and says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord
who has made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord
now and forever. Amen.

The Bishop extends her hands towards those to be confirmed and says:

Almighty and ever-living God,
you have given these your servants new birth
in baptism by water and the Spirit,
and have forgiven them all their sins.
Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them:
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding;
the Spirit of counsel and inward strength;
the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;
and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord.
Amen.

Members of the congregation are asked to continue praying silently for the candidates as they are confirmed.

As each candidate kneels before the Bishop, supporters of that candidate are invited to stand where they are.

The Bishop addresses each candidate by name:

N, God has called you by name and made you his own

She then lays her hand on the head of each, saying:

Confirm, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Bishop then anoints each candidate with the oil of Chrism.

The Bishop invites the congregation to pray for all those on whom hands have been laid:

**Defend, O Lord, these your servants
with your heavenly grace,
that they may continue yours for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more
until they come to your everlasting kingdom.
Amen**

The Welcome

The Bishop says:

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.
**We welcome you in the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The congregation greets the newly baptised and confirmed with applause.

Stand

The Peace

The Bishop says:

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us
and as a pledge of what is to come
has given the spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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

Peace be with those worshipping online, and let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Table

Hymn

During the hymn bread and wine are placed on the altar, and a collection is taken for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. Donations should be made payable to the Bishop of Chichester's No. 1 Account.

1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him king of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure, we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty word.

2 At his voice creation sprang at once to sight,
all the angel faces, all the hosts of light;
thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders, in their great array.

3 Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came;
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

4 Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures to the central height;
to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast,
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

5 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown him as your captain in temptation's hour,
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

6 Surely, this Lord Jesus shall return, again
With his Father's glory, with his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him King of glory now.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Bishop says:

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
because by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord,
you raise us to new life in him
and renew in us the image of your glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

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

The Deacon says:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of St Peter and St Paul and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Remain standing as silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

The Bishop introduces the prayer and all respond:

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop says:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei is sung:

**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.**

Giving of Communion

The Bishop invites the people to receive the Holy Communion, saying:

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
But only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Members of the congregation are asked to sit and then to make their way to the place of communion as and when directed.

All baptised Christians who receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive communion.

Any member of the congregation may come to receive a blessing; if you come forward for a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

During Communion, hymns are sung.

Hymns

*Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name*

1. The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

2. You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find

3. And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore

1. King of kings, Majesty
God of Heaven living in me
Gentle Saviour, closest friend
Strong Deliverer, beginning and end
All within me falls at Your throne

*Your Majesty, I can but bow
I lay my all before You now
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve Your Majesty*

2. Earth and Heaven worship You
Love eternal, Faithful and True
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls
Brought this sinner near to Your throne
All within me cries out in praise.

Prayer after Communion

The Bishop says:

Let us pray.

Stand

God of mercy,
by whose grace alone we are accepted
and equipped for your service:
stir up in us the gifts of your Holy Spirit
and make us worthy of our calling;
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Giving of a Lighted Candle

The bishop gives the newly confirmed a lighted candle, lit from the paschal candle.

When all have received a candle, the bishop says:

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

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.**

The Blessing

The Bishop says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who has made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
now and forever. Amen.

The God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

During the hymn the Choir, Ministers and Bishop leave.

1. Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

2. Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

3. Suffering servant, scorned, ill - treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

4. Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

5. So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Following the service there will be an opportunity
for photographs and presentations
with the Bishop and newly confirmed.

The congregation are warmly invited
to come to the church hall for refreshments after the service.

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