

A Celtic Evening Eucharist

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Priest: Spirit of the Risen Christ, shine into our hearts and kindle in us the fire of your love. The Light of Christ has come into the world.

All: **The Light of Christ has come into the world.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray. (*Collect of the Day*)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to _____.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel, the priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Leader: Gracious God, we come to you in prayer:

For the one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church;

Silence

For those who minister in Christ's name;

Silence

For our community, our nation, and our world;

Silence

For the sick and all those in need, [especially...]

Silence

For those who have died and those they have left behind.

Silence

We look to you, O Lord.

All: **Hear us, gracious Lord, and come to our aid.**

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **For the ways we have sinned against you, O God;**

For the ways we have hurt those around us;

For the ways we have grieved the Spirit who is within us;

For the good things we have failed to do:

Forgive us, Lord, forgive us.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you; forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen your body, mind and spirit, and keep you close to the heart of God.

All: **Amen!**

Priest: Peace be in your thinking. Peace be in your hearts. Peace with creation. Peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.** (*Signs of Peace are now exchanged.*)

Priest: I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

The Offering

Priest: All things come from you, O Lord.

All: **And of your own have we given you.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Priest: Worship and praise belong to you, Father, in every place and at all times. You made us, all the people of the world, and everything that is.

You give us the daylight. Your Word lights up our minds.
Jesus was born among us to be light in our darkness.

Your Spirit lives in us so that we can look at the world with your eyes.

One day we will be with you in heaven, but already we laugh with the saints and angels, and recite their joyful song:

All: **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.

Priest: Father, you never forget us or turn away from us, even when we fail you.
You sent your Son Jesus who gave his life for us.
He healed those who were sick, cared for those who were poor, and cried with
those who were sad.
He forgave sinners and taught us to forgive.

For all your love we give you thanks in the way that Jesus showed us.

On the night before he died, while he was having supper with his friends, he took
bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:
"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
"Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for
you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

So, as we do what he told us, we open our hearts to him;
we remember how he died and rose again to live now in us.

Together with him we offer you these gifts: in them we give you ourselves.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine,
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, and that, sharing your life,
we may travel in your company to our journey's end.

With all your people we give you thanks and praise through the Son and in the
Spirit, now and for ever.

AMEN.

Priest: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: **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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: [Alleluia!] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia!]**

After communion the priest says:

Heaven is intertwined with earth. [Alleluia!]

All: **We have taken the divine life into ourselves. [Alleluia!]**

Priest: And so now, each may say:

All: **I rise up clothed in the strength of Christ.
I shall not be imprisoned. I shall not be harmed.
I shall not be downtrodden. I shall not be left alone.
I shall not be tainted. I shall not be overwhelmed.
I go clothed in Christ's white garments.
I go freed to weave Christ's patterns.
I go loved to serve Christ's weak ones.**

Priest:

The shield of God go before you;
the love of God to enfold you;
the peace of God to still you;
the Spirit of God to fill you;
the saints of God to inspire you.
And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
rest upon you and shine out through you, this hour, this night, for ever. **Amen.**

Priest:

Go forth in the Name of Christ.

All:

Thanks be to God

