

27 December

White

Invitation to Confession

Hear what Saint John says:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,

and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just,

and will forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1.8,9

Kyrie Confession

Lord Jesus, you are the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you came not to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the Saviour of the world.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Merciful Lord,

cast your bright beams of light upon the Church:

that, being enlightened by the teaching of your blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John,

we may so walk in the light of your truth

that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Lectionary

Principal Service

Exodus 33.7-11a

Psalms 117

1 John 1

John 21.19b-end

Second Service

Isaiah 6.1-8

1 John 5.1-12

Evening Psalm

Psalm 97

Third Service

Exodus 33.12-end

1 John 2.1-11

Morning Psalms

Psalms 21, 147.13-end

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,

and we have seen his glory.

John 1.14

Alleluia.

Intercession

Rejoicing in the love and life of God made visible among us,

let us pray to Jesus, the only-begotten Son.

Bread of life,

your beloved disciple John has brought us your living word,

inspire all evangelists and teachers to build up your Church ...

Light of the world,

illuminate the dark places of this world,

where sin, violence and death cast their shadow over human lives ...

Door of the sheepfold,

protect all who are in trouble or danger,

and give grace to our loved ones, families and friends ...

Way, truth and life,

minister to all who are lost, misguided or without faith;

bind up the broken, and give rest to the weary ...

Resurrection and the life,

raise us up at the last day

with all who have gone before us in faith,

with those whom we love but see no longer,

with John and all your saints,

that in your Father's house we may come to the place you have prepared for us.

Incarnate Lord, accept these our prayers

for the sake of your most holy name.

Amen.

Introduction to the Peace

Jesus says, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.'

John 14.27

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

Word made flesh, life of the world,

in your incarnation you embraced our poverty:

by your Spirit may we share in your riches.

Preface

And now we give you thanks

for the grace and truth shown forth

in John, your evangelist and apostle;

by the light of Christ’s appearing

we behold your glory

and are born again to life eternal.

Extended Preface

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,

mighty creator, ever-living God,

through Jesus Christ our Lord;

for he is the Word before all creation,

the Life made manifest,

the Light who shines in the darkness.

He is the living Bread who has come down from heaven,

the Good Shepherd, who lays down his life for the sheep,

the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

He stands among us in his risen power,

and shows us his hands and his side.

With joy we worship him as our Lord and our God.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven

we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name

and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we pray,

that the Word made flesh

proclaimed by your apostle John

may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries,

ever abide and live within us;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessing

Grace from the eternal Father be with you;

grace from the Word made flesh be with you;

grace from the Spirit of truth be with you;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

Acclamation

This is the message we have heard,

the message we proclaim:

that God is light.

In him there is no darkness at all.

If we walk in the light

as he is in the light,

we have fellowship with one another,

and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Short Passages of Scripture

These things are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus

is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may

have life in his name.

John 20.31

This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things,

and we know that his testimony is true.

John 21.24

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