

The Order of Service for St George at Home



¶ The Gathering

The president welcomes the people

The Hymn

The Greeting

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

All Amen

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**All he has given us new life and hope
by raising Jesus from the dead.**

The Prayer of Preparation

**All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Prayers of Penitence

The saints were faithful unto death and now dwell in the heavenly kingdom for ever. As we celebrate their joy, let us bring to the Lord our sins and weaknesses, and ask for his mercy.

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

We often fail to walk the way of the cross.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray:

God of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love
in the heart of your servant George
that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and by his death:
give us the same faith and power of love
that we who rejoice in his triumphs
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the Book of Revelation:

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,
‘Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah,
for the accuser of our comrades
has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.
But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.
Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you
with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!’

Revelation 12:10-12

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading

A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Romans 5:1-5

The Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever would become my followers,
let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

All Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

John 15:1-8

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Please SIT or KNEEL for

The Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

This response is used

Lord, in your mercy.

All Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**All 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.**

Please STAND for

The Hymn

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

God give you grace to follow his saints
in faith and love and steadfastness
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

He is not here. He is risen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.