

# Family Communion (by Extension) St James Weddington



## WELCOME

Grace and peace to you from God.

**May he fill us with truth and joy.  
Lord, direct our thoughts,  
teach us to pray,  
lift up our hearts to worship you in Spirit and in truth,  
through Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## HYMN

### WE CONFESS OUR SINS

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
The first commandment is this:  
'Hear, O Israel,  
the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, with all your soul,  
with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this:  
'Love your neighbour as yourself.'  
There is no other commandment greater than these.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

*A time of silence may follow.*  
Let us return to the Lord our God and say to him:

**Father,  
We confess that we have sinned  
against you and our neighbour.  
We have wounded your love  
and marred your image in us.  
We turn to you again.  
Have mercy on us, and restore us for the sake  
of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins,  
and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his  
name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## THE COLLECT

### MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD

*After the first Reading the reader says:*  
This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand for the Gospel reading and when it is  
announced.*

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end the reader says.*  
This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## HYMN

## TALK

### WE BELIEVE

Let us declare our faith in God:

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

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**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## HYMN

## PRAYERS

*The prayers sometimes include the response:*

Lord, in your mercy:  
**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers may end with.*

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

### WE SHARE THE PEACE

*Please stand as these or other words are used*

**We are all one in Christ Jesus.  
We belong to him through faith,  
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.**

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

### SONG OF PRAISE

## HYMN

*Our offerings are collected, and as they are presented.*

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

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*At the lectern one of the following shall be read:*

Mark 10: 32-34, 42-45 The Son of Man came to give his life.  
Luke 24: 30-34 They recognized him in the breaking of bread.  
John 6: 53-58 My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink.  
1 Corinthians 12: 23-29  
1 Peter 2: 21-25 He bore our sins on the cross.  
Revelation 19: 6-9a The marriage supper of the Lamb.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

*The minister moves to the Holy Table and says*

The Church of God, of which we are members, has taken bread and wine and given thanks over them according to our Lord's command. These holy gifts have been brought to us that we too may share in the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

*Silence is kept*

*The minister says*

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink

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in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

*or, from Easter Day to Pentecost*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*This prayer may be said before the distribution*

**Most merciful Lord,  
your love compels us to come in.  
Our hands were unclean  
our hearts were unprepared;  
we were not fit  
even to eat the crumbs from under your table.  
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,  
and share your bread with sinners.  
So cleanse and feed us  
with the precious body and blood of your Son,  
that he may live in us and we in him;  
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,  
may sit and eat in your kingdom.  
Amen.**

*The minister and people receive communion  
Authorized words of distribution are used and the  
communicant replies Amen.*

*During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.  
Any consecrated bread and wine which is not required for  
purposes of communion is consumed at the end of the  
distribution or after the service.*

## AFTER COMMUNION

*We pray together using one of the following prayers:*

**Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off you met us in your Son  
and brought us home.**

**Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.**

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**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*or*

**Almighty God, eternal Father,  
we thank you for welcoming us,  
teaching us and feeding us.  
We give you thanks and praise  
for accepting us into your family.  
Send us out with your blessing,  
to live and witness for you.  
In the power of your Spirit,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

The love of the Lord Jesus  
draw us to himself.  
the power of the Lord Jesus  
strengthen us in his service.  
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts:  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

## HYMN

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.**

**Amen.**

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