



Anglican Diocese of Bathurst

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Traditional Holy Communion

Pentecost 15

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine,**

Leaning on the everlasting arms,  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms,  
leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms,  
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms,  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

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Let us pray

**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.**

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners  
and inviting them to the Lord's table. Let us confess our sins in  
penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against  
you in thought, word, and deed and in what we have failed to  
do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not  
loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for  
all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you  
in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in  
faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you  
in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.

**The Gloria**

**Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship  
you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 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. 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. Amen.**

**The Collect for Pentecost 15**

O God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ  
we are reconciled to you: help us so to proclaim the good news of  
your love, that all who hear it may turn to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Psalm 130**

**Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD; <sup>2</sup> Lord, hear my voice.**

**Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.**

**<sup>3</sup> If you, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?**

**<sup>4</sup> But with you there is forgiveness,**

**so that we can, with reverence, serve you.**

**<sup>5</sup> I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits,**

**and in his word I put my hope.**

**<sup>6</sup> I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning,  
more than watchmen wait for the morning.**

**<sup>7</sup> Israel, put your hope in the LORD,**

**for with the LORD is unfailing love**

**and with him is full redemption.**

**<sup>8</sup> He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.**

**Glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;**

**as in the beginning, so now and forever, Amen.**

**The Epistle:** Romans 14:1-14

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God**

**The Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-35

Response at the announcement:

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

At the conclusion:

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**A Sting in the tale: Matthew's parables  
Forgiveness**

**Time of prayer**

Let us pray for the world and for the church

Concluding: Accept our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who taught us to 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and  
forever. Amen.**

## His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more  
Chorus

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more. Chorus x2

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## The Great Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts

### We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

### It is right to give our thanks and praise

All glory and honour, thanks and praise, be yours now and always,  
Lord, holy Father, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you  
thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by his  
death on the cross and rising to new life, offered the one true  
sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.  
Therefore with the whole 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.

And now Father, we pray that we who receive these your gifts of  
bread and wine according to our Saviour's word may be partakers  
of his body and blood.

For on the night he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had  
given you thanks to you his Almighty Father, he broke it, and gave  
it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave  
it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my  
blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the  
forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in  
remembrance of me.

### Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We offer our prayer and praise, Father, in the fellowship of the  
Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

*Remember these words from the BCP "Communion of the sick" when  
someone is unable to partake of the elements: if he do truly repent him of  
his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ both suffered death upon  
the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly  
remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks  
therefore, he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ  
profitably to his Soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament  
with his mouth.*

## Following communion

Let us pray:

Most merciful God, you have restored us to life by the triumphant  
death of Jesus, your Son. Continue his transforming work within  
us that all who partake in this communion may give themselves  
wholly to your service.

### Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

### All praise to him, the God of light

Who formed the mountains by His might  
All praise to Him who names the stars,  
That sing his fame in skies above.

All praise to Him who reigns above  
Who guides the galaxies above,  
Yet bends to hear our every prayer,  
With sovereign pow'r and tender care

All praise to Him whose love is seen  
In Christ the Son, the Servant King,  
Who left behind His glorious throne  
To pay the ransom for His own.

All praise to Him who humbly came,  
To bear our sorrow, sin, and shame  
Who lived to die, Who died to rise  
The all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts  
The love of God within our hearts  
The Spirit of all truth and peace  
The fount of joy and holiness

To Father, Son and Spirit now  
Our souls we lift, our wills we bow  
To You, the triune God, raise  
With loving hearts our song of praise (repeat).

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## The Benediction

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts  
and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the  
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you  
always. **Amen.**