CHRIST CHURCH JERUSALEM



Kenyan Liturgy for Holy Communion - Jerusalem Version II

We welcome to the Communion Table all those who have been baptized and have made Jesus Lord.

Call to Praise

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Praise the Lord!

The name of the Lord be praised;

Our help is in the Name of the Lord

Who made heaven and earth.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord. Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. Amen.

Preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God, You bring to light things hidden in darkness and know the shadows of our hearts. Cleanse and renew us by Your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and sanctify Your name through Jesus the Messiah, the Light of the world. Amen.

Gloria

Glory to the Father

Glory to the Son

Glory to the Spirit

Forever Three in One.

Be glorified in the Church

Be glorified in our homes Be glorified in Jerusalem

Be glorified in Israel and the nations

Be glorified in the heavens

Be glorified on earth.

Glory to the Father

Glory to the Son

Glory to the Spirit

Forever Three in One. Amen.

Praise Scripture / Sermon Intercession

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

May Your church be faithful to Jesus until He returns

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the leaders of our churches have Your wisdom and speak with one voice.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the leaders of our countries rule with justice and righteousness.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May Your peace be upon Israel and the surrounding nations.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the Lord bring the dew and the rain in its season.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the fields be fertile and the harvest plentiful.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the Lord give his angels charge over us.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the Lord be with us in trouble and rescue us.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the love of the Father touch the lonely, the bereaved and the suffering. **The Lord of mercy is with us.**

The Shma

Shma Israel, Adonai Eloheinu, Adonai ekhad. Baruch shem kavod malkhuto le'olam va'ed.

Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord alone. Blessed be His Name whose glorious kingdom is for ever! You shall love the Lord Your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

On these two commandments hang the entire Torah and Prophets.

Prayers of Penitence

Almighty God, Creator of all, You marvellously made us in Your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and distorted Your likeness by rejecting Your love and hurting our neighbour.

We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and repent of our sins.

Cleanse us and forgive us through the sacrifice of Your Son; remake us and lead us by Your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus the Messiah our Lord. Amen. Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove our sins from us as far as the east is from the west; strengthen our life in Your kingdom and keep us upright until the last day; through Jesus the Messiah our merciful High Priest. **Amen.**

Thank You, Father, for forgiveness. We come to Your table as Your children, not presuming, but assured; not trusting ourselves but Your Word. We hunger and thirst for righteousness and ask for our hearts to be satisfied with the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus the Messiah. Amen.

Offering The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and the household of God through Jesus the Messiah. He is our peace and has made us one. The peace of the Lord be always with you;

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Holy Communion

Is the Father with us? He is!
Is the Son among us? He is!
Is the Spirit here? He is with us!
He is our God.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We are His people;

We belong to Him.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise, great Father, living God, King over all the earth, Creator, Provider, Saviour and Giver.

For Abraham, the wandering nomad You made an everlasting covenant and called Your family; for a burdened people You raised up Moses as prophet and leader; for a confused nation You chose David to be king; for a rebellious community You sent Your prophets.

In these last days You sent us Your only Son, Your perfect image. He was born a Jewish child; He was obedient to Torah; He established Your kingdom and revealed Your will by His life and teaching. In all this He submitted Himself to You by dying a sacrificial death.

You raised Him to everlasting life. Under His heavenly reign You are making a people for Yourself. Through Him, You have sent upon us Your life-giving Spirit filling us with light and life. Therefore with angels and archangels and all in heaven, we proclaim Your glorious Name, forever praising You and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

All things belong to You. We thank You for giving us Your only Son even though we were not worthy of Your generosity. Pour Your refreshing Spirit on these gifts of Your creation as we remember Him in the way He commanded. At Passover on the same night that He was betrayed, He took the bread and gave You thanks,

Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha'olam, ha'motzi lechem min ha'aretz.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is My body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

Amen. His body was broken for us.

In the same way, after supper He took the cup and gave You thanks,

Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha'olam borei pri ha'gefen.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

He gave it to them saying, "Drink this, all of you. This is My blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

Great is the mystery of faith:

Messiah has died, Messiah is risen, Messiah will come again.

We are brothers and sisters through his blood.

We have died together, we will rise together, we will live together.

We worship you Father Almighty, in this song of never-ending praise:

To Him who sits on the throne and unto the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and power forever.

This is the feast of victory.

The Lamb who was slain
has begun His reign. Hallelujah!

As Jesus 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of the Messiah.

Though we are many we are one body, for we all share one bread.

The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of the Messiah. Draw near with faith and receive. **Jesus is the host and we are His guests.**

Thankgiving

O God of our fathers, before whose face the generations pass away; We thank You that in You we are kept safe for ever, and that the broken fragments of our history are gathered up in the redeeming act of Your dear Son, remembered in this holy sacrament of bread and wine. Help us to walk faithfully in the company of angels and saints, declaring our faith in the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection of the body. Now send us out in the power of Your Holy Spirit to live and work for Your praise and glory. Amen.

Blessing

All our problems
We send to the cross
of Jesus the Messiah.
All our difficulties
We send to the cross
of Jesus the Messiah.
All the devil's works
We send to the cross
of Jesus the Messiah.

All our hopes

We set on the risen Jesus of Nazareth. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

