

At the blessing of the Cup:

Jesus, Lamb of God,

have mercy upon us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy upon us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

Grant us your peace.

While we receive communion we sing

“Eat this bread” (x3)

The Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer:

Sending Hymn:

Dismissal and Blessing.

The four cups of wine used at Passover represent four promises made to Israel in Exodus 6: 6-7:

1. The first cup of wine is called the cup of sanctification
It is to commemorate the promise: “I will bring you out.”
2. The second cup is called the cup of plagues
It reflects the plagues that came upon Egypt – and it relates to the second promise: “I will free you from being slaves.”
3. The third cup is called the cup of redemption
God says: “I will redeem you.”
4. The fourth cup is called the cup of completion
God says: “I will take you as my own people.”

The Presbyterian Church of St. David

Sacrament of Holy Communion

19 November 2017 – 9:00 a.m.

Wine

The Table is the Lord’s, and belongs by right to all who are His.

Call to Worship:

God calls us to a feast!

The table is set,

and we will come from east and west,

from north and south to sit at Christ’s table.

Compassion, love, and grace are poured out like fine wine.

We come to share our stories and Your story,

to share our hope and our pain,

to share our wisdom and our laughter.

The table is set, so come let us worship God together!

Gathering Hymn:

Call to Confession

Christ our Lord invites to this Table all who truly love him,
who earnestly repent of their sins and shortcomings, and
who seek to live in peace with one another.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess

that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have broken your laws, and rebelled against your love.

We have not loved our neighbor as we ought,

and we have turned away from the needy.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Forgive us, and create a right spirit within us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

People of God, hear the good news:
that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Hymn:

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 22:7-20 New International Version (NIV)

⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover."

⁹"Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked.

¹⁰He replied, "As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, ¹¹and say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹²He will show you a large room upstairs, all furnished. Make preparations there."

¹³They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. ¹⁵And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

¹⁷After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. ¹⁸For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

¹⁹And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

²⁰In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

Communion Hymn:

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Presbyterian Church In Canada keeps an "open table" and welcomes members of any branch of the Christian community to participate fully in the Sacrament of Communion.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

God is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(the prayer continues with thanksgiving for God's saving acts in creation, until...)

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of goodness and life,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

(For the remainder of the prayer the congregation gives the following response, as required...)

...Lord, we give you thanks and praise.

Glory to you forever.

(The Prayer concludes with the Lord's Prayer said in unison.)

Amen.