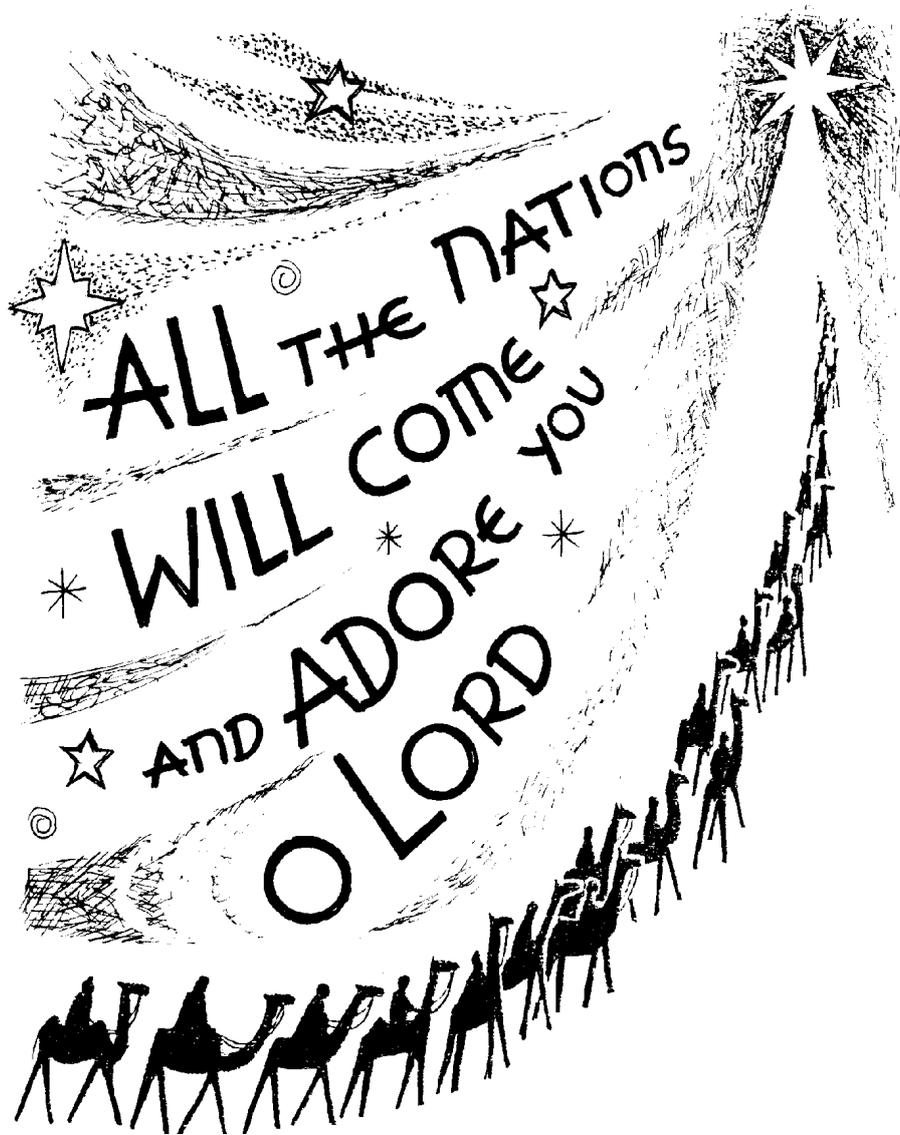


Welcome to

Holy Nativity

Mixenden and Ilingworth



Epiphany

Welcome to Holy Nativity Church in the Parish of Mixenden and Illingworth!

Everyone is welcome here.

After Christmas we come to the season of Epiphany which means “manifestation”. This begins with a celebration of the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. The Magi have often been called “three wise men” in recent years because they brought three gifts with them although we don’t know how many visited or indeed if they were all men. We do know that they travelled a great distance to bring gifts at the birth of the messiah!

The Eucharist stands at the heart of the life of the Church as we come together as a community to worship God. As we celebrate together we will sing songs of worship that tell of God’s grace. We will bring the prayers of our community together. We will hear words from the Bible and we will share bread and wine together.

The words for the minister are in normal type and the congregation responds with the words in **bold type**.



The Gathering

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

All Amen

Informal welcome

God in Christ has revealed his glory.

All Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

All the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

All O praise the name of the Lord!

The Greeting

The president greets the people

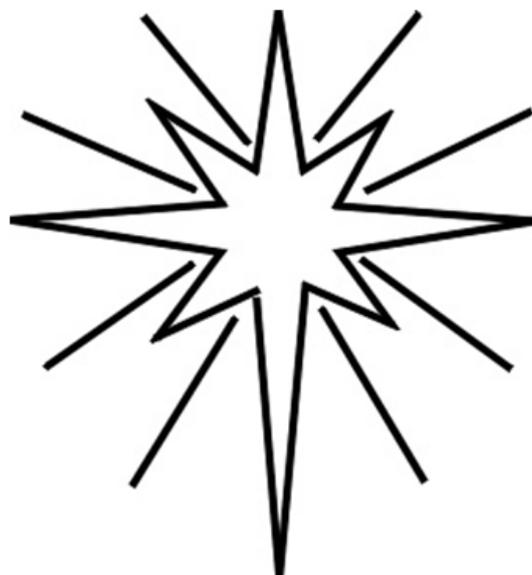
The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said

Hymn

Hymns or songs may be sung.



Confession

Words of introduction to confession are used

Let us confess our sins.

All Lord our God,
in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us;
deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*The priest pronounces absolution
All respond*

All Amen

The Collect

The president prays the special prayer for today.



The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

At the end of the reading

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Hymns or songs may be sung

Gospel Reading

Please remain standing

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh,
proclaimed among the nations
and believed in throughout the world.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to *n*.

All Glory to you O Lord

At the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

There may be some form of teaching

Creed

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

All Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name
above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

cf Philippians 2.6-11

Intercessions

Sit or kneel for our prayers

*The prayers may include this response,
or a different response on the screen*

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

The prayers may end with

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



The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The priest will introduce the peace

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



Preparation of the Table

A prayer over the elements may be used
All respond

All Amen

The Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord be with you *or* The Lord is here
And also with you. His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic prayer continues until

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the last supper

This response is used twice

... in remembrance of me.
All To you be glory and praise for ever.

The prayer continues until

All Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

This response is used

Jesus Christ our Lord.
All To you be glory and praise for ever.

The prayer continues until

we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour
and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**



The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer

All 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.



Breaking of the Bread

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

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**



Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts
For God's holy people

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.**

The president takes communion on behalf of the people

Hymns During Communion

Hymns and songs may be sung

Prayer after Communion

The president may use a post communion prayer after which we respond

All Amen

This prayer may be said together

**All Merciful God,
you have called us to your table
and fed us with the bread of life.
Draw us and all people to serve your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Notices

Notices for the coming week may be given

The Blessing

We stand for the blessing

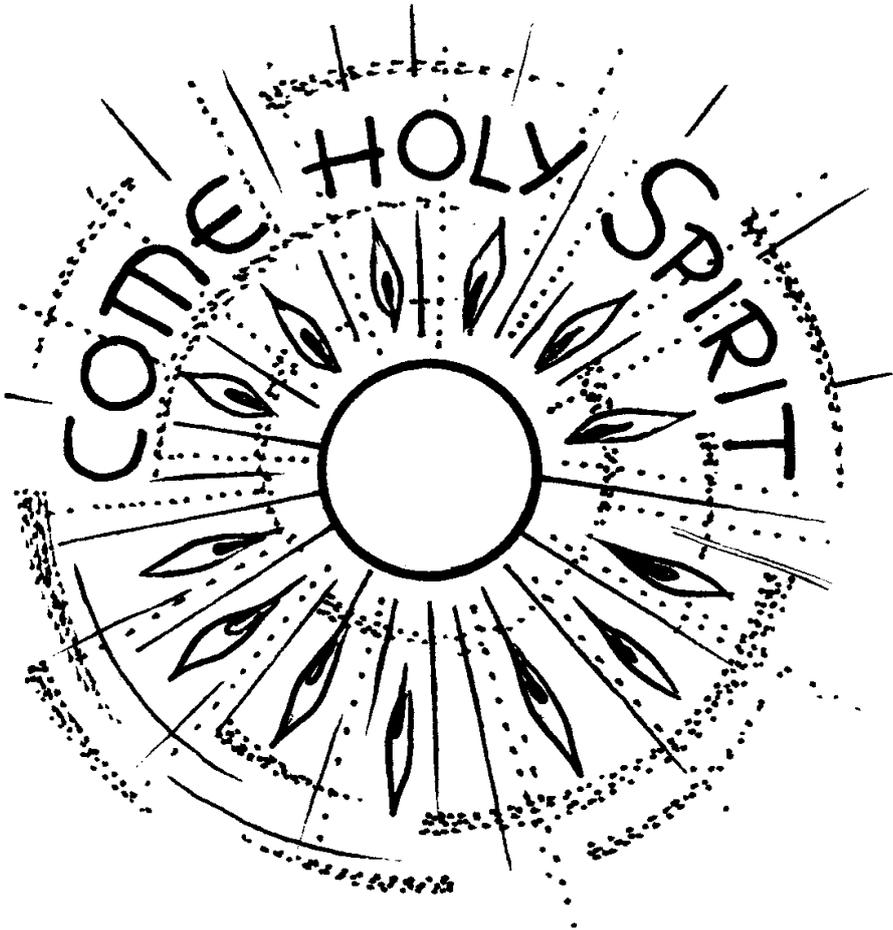
The Lord be with you
All And also with you.

*The president prays for God's blessing.
All respond*

All Amen.

Hymns or songs may be sung.

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



**Please stay for refreshments.
All are welcome here.**

If you are a visitor or new to this congregation, please introduce yourself to the vicar or church wardens.

Holy Nativity is your parish church serving the communities within the Parish of Mixenden and Illingworth.

Baptism

Baptism takes place at the start of our Christian journey. It is often referred to by the name 'Christening'.

If you would like to speak to someone about being baptised or having your child baptised, please speak to the vicar or church wardens after the service.

Weddings

If you would like to organise a wedding, please speak to the vicar or church wardens. We will gladly help you celebrate this important part of your relationship.

Congratulations!

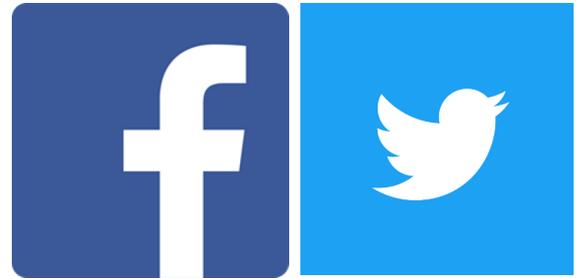
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