**Land’s End Benefice**

**2020 Advent Eucharist**

Please join in with the words **in bold.** The bold with **underlining** is to mark the sections.

The Greeting

Now is the time to wake out of sleep, for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. Romans 13.11

As God’s people we have gathered: let us worship him together.

*We light the Advent Wreath*

Prayer of Preparation

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.

Invitation to Confession

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins that we may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect

Psalm 85.1-2,8-13

1 Lord, you were gracious to your land; ♦   
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**2 You forgave the offence of your people ♦   
and covered all their sins.**

8 I will listen to what the Lord God will say, ♦ for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly.

**9 Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, ♦   
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

10 Mercy and truth are met together, ♦   
righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

**11 Truth shall spring up from the earth ♦   
and righteousness look down from heaven.**

12 The Lord will indeed give all that is good, ♦   
and our land will yield its increase.

**13 Righteousness shall go before him ♦   
and direct his steps in the way.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Reflection

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

And at the end Merciful Father, Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

A prayer is said over the bread and wine

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here His Spirit is with us.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong. You made us and the whole universe, and filled your world with life. You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary’s child. He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins;  
he rose in glory from the dead. You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world and clothe us with power from on high. And so we join the angels to celebrate and say:

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.

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends. He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God’s unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Great is the mystery of faith. Jesus Christ has died. Jesus Christ is risen. Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ’s body and his blood. Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory. For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.  
God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

Giving of Communion

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.  
Lord, give us this bread always.

*The priest receives the bread and wine on behalf of the community, you are invited to come and receive the bread.*

Final Prayer and Blessing

**Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.** Amen

*A suitable blessing is given,concluding with:* … and may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

As we await our coming Saviour, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God. Amen.

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