# CHRIST CHURCH JERUSALEM



# Kenyan Liturgy for Trinity Sunday

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.'

# 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

#### Collect

O God, Your name is veiled in mystery, yet we dare to call you Father; Your Son was begotten before all ages, yet is born among us in time; Your Holy Spirit fills the whole creation, yet is poured forth now into our hearts. Because You have made us and loved us and called us by name, draw us more deeply into Your divine life, that we may glorify You rightly, through Your Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

# Scripture/Sermon

## Intercessions

Let us pray to the God of our forefathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, through Jesus the Messiah in the power of the Holy Spirit. 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 our countries have tranquility and the people be blessed.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May Your peace be upon Israel and the Middle East.

#### 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 be our shield and defender. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.** 

May the love of the Father touch the lonely, the bereaved and the suffering.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May we know the grace of the Lord Jesus, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. The Lord of mercy is with us.

## The Shma

Let us proclaim together 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 is His name whose glorious Kingdom is forever and 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 the Prophets.

## Prayers of Penitence

Almighty God, Creator of all, You marvelously 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

# Holy Communion

Is the Father with us?

He is with us!

Is the Son among us?

He is with us!

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.

And now we give you thanks because you have revealed to us Your glory as the glory of Your Son and the Holy Spirit: three Persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet One Lord, One God, ever to be trusted and adored.

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 eternal 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 great and 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 recited the blessing giving 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."

In the same way, after supper He took the cup and recited the blessing giving 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."

We are brothers and sisters through his blood.

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

And 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.

Therefore, Father hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy and await the coming of Your Son, our Lord and Savior.

He died in our place, overcoming the sting of death and defeating the powers of darkness. You accepted His offering by raising Him from the dead, granting Him great honor, authority, and sovereign power; all nations and people of every language shall worship Him. His dominion is everlasting, and His kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

Amen. Jesus is Lord.

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. 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 Messiah.

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

The cup of blessing which we bless is a sharing in the blood of Messiah.

Draw near with faith and receive. He is the host and we are His guests.

Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, give us Your peace.

## After Communion

O God of our ancestors, before whose face the human 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 daily in the communion of 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.

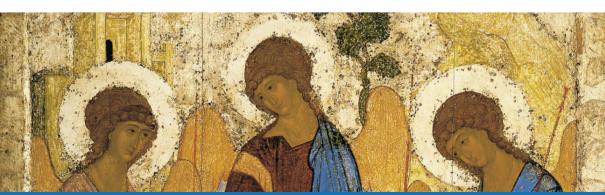
# Blessing

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

Jesus said, 'As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.' Go forth in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God. Amen.



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