

13th Sunday of the Year

Welcome:

Welcome to St Paul's on this 13th Liturgical Sunday of the Year. We welcome any visitors or new comers - please make yourselves know to the clergy or the ministers as you leave [and you are welcome to tea in the hall after this service]. During the weeks after Trinity when the altar has a green frontal we are looking at different aspects of "Green" - Today the gospel theme of the cost of discipleship I've subtitled - "Eat you greens!" Today we give thanks to God for making our spiritual lives healthy through the death and resurrection of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord -an event we commemorate at God's table this morning. So I greet you in his name...

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! alleluia! The word of the Lord endures for ever. Alleluia!

Peace

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.
The Peace of Lord be with you always

Proper Preface

...And now we give you thanks because in him you have received us as your sons and daughters, joined us in one fellowship with the saints, and made us citizens of your kingdom.

Invitation

Come to this table,
Not because you are strong,
but because you are weak;
Come, not through any goodness of your own,
But because you need God's `mercy and help;
Come, because you love the Lord a little,
and would like to love Him more;
Come, not because you are worthy,
but because He died for you;
Come, and be filled with Living Bread;
Come in faith, and never thirst again.

Post Communion

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

May God who has prepared for you a city, eternal in the heavens bring you to the joy of that city of the great King.

May he raise up and strengthen whatever you build on Christ, the corner stone, and draw you into the fellowship of the saints in glory. May he grant you the Spirit of wisdom to know the hope to which he has called you, and make you living temples of his presence. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and all who love, this day and forever. Amen,

[sources: Common Worship, Presbyterian Church, Diocese of Portsmouth etc]