

# Welcome to All Saints

26 January 2020

**Third Sunday of Epiphany**

9:15 Family Eucharist with Holy Baptism

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*Please feel free to ask the Priest before the service if you have any special intentions to be included in today's **Intercessions**.*

**We do not practise Intinction** (dipping the consecrated bread, or host, into the consecrated wine by the communicant) in this church. If you are unable to partake of the Common Cup, then it is legitimate to receive the host alone.

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We especially welcome Isobel and her family and friends to today's service. For this candidate baptism marks the beginning of a journey with God, which continues for the rest of her life, the first step in response to God's love. This is a joyful moment when we all rejoice in what God has done for us in Christ, making serious promises and declaring the faith. The wider community of All Saints and friends welcome this candidate as a new Christian, promising support and prayer for her future. We also remember our own baptism and reflect on the progress made on that journey, which is now to be shared with this new member of the Church.

The service paints many vivid pictures of what happens on the Christian way:



**The cross**

A badge of Christian faith and a reminder of Christ's death for us.



**Water**

Our 'drowning' in the water of baptism, where we believe we die to sin and are raised to new life, unites us to Christ's dying and rising. Water is also a sign of new life, as we are born again by water and the Spirit.



**A candle**

A sign of that new life, a picture of the light of Christ conquering the darkness of evil.

We journey through the baptism service: from the **altar** to the **font**, then back for a lit **candle**, immediately before being sent out on our journey.

**Everyone who is baptised walks in that light for the rest of their lives.**

As you pray for the candidates, picture them with you and the whole Church throughout the ages, journeying into the fullness of God's love.

***Jesus said, 'I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'***

*John 10:10*

## **HYMN**

- 1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild restless sea,  
day by day his voice is sounding,  
saying, 'Christian, follow me;'
- 2 As of old, apostles heard it  
by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for his dear sake.
- 3 Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, 'Christian, love me more.'
- 4 In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
'Christian, love me more than these.'
- 5 Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Saviour, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

*Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895) HymnQuest ID: 56033*

## **GREETING**

*The President says*

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

**All Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all,

**All and also with you.**

*Words of welcome or introduction may be said.*

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us  
that to enter the kingdom of heaven  
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,  
and has given us baptism  
as the sign and seal of this new birth.

Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.  
Here we are clothed with Christ,  
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.

As children of God, we have a new dignity  
and God calls us to fullness of life.

## **COLLECT**

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding. The Collect is said.*

Heavenly Father,  
by the power of your Holy Spirit  
you give to your faithful people new life  
in the water of baptism.  
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,  
that we who are born again  
may serve you in faith and love,  
and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## **READING 1 Corinthians 1.10-18**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I

mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul,' or 'I belong to Apollos,' or 'I belong to Cephas,' or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptised in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptised none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptised in my name. I did baptise also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptised anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptise but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may be kept.*

## **HYMN**

- 1       Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
Christ in our hearts, the world's true King.
- 2       King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;  
kingship with him his servants gain;  
with Christ, the Servant-Lord of all,  
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.
- 3       Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
this world of time to consecrate,  
this world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.
- 4       Christ's are our lips, his word we speak;  
prophets are we whose deeds proclaim  
Christ's truth in love that we may be  
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.
- 5       We are the Church, Christ bids us show  
that in his church all nations find  
their hearth and home where Christ restores  
true peace, true love, to all mankind.

*James Quinn (1919-2010) © 1969, 1987 James Quinn/Cassell plc, HymnQuest ID: 52907*

## **GOSPEL READING Matthew 4.12-23**

**All Alleluia! [x4]**

Minister The word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
and we have seen his glory.

**All Alleluia! [x4]**

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.'

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

*After the Sermon silence may be kept.*

## **BAPTISM: PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE & DECISION**

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number  
those whom he is calling.

*To the congregation:*

People of God,  
will you welcome this candidate  
and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

**All With the help of God, we will.**

*To parents and godparents:*

Parents and godparents,  
the Church receives this candidate with joy.  
Today we are trusting God for her growth in faith.

Will you pray for her,  
draw her by your example into the community of faith  
and walk with her in the way of Christ?

**With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism this candidate begins her journey in faith.  
You speak for her today.

Will you care for her,  
and help her to take her place  
within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

**With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.  
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?  
**I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?  
**I renounce them.**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?  
**I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?  
**I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?  
**I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?  
**I come to Christ.**

## **BAPTISM: SIGNING WITH THE CROSS**

*The minister makes the sign of the cross on the candidate's forehead, saying*

Christ claims you for his own.  
Receive the sign of his cross.  
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**All**     **Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ  
against sin, the world and the devil,  
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God  
deliver you from the powers of darkness,  
restore in you the image of his glory,  
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

**All**     **Amen.**

## **BAPTISM: PRAYER OVER THE WATER**

*The ministers and the candidate gather at the font.*

**All**     Praise God who made heaven and earth,  
**who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All**     **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water  
to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.  
Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.  
Through water you led the children of Israel  
from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John  
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ,  
to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.  
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.  
By it we share in his resurrection.  
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.  
Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son,  
we baptise into his fellowship those  
who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that,  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
they may be cleansed from sin and born again.  
Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Let us affirm,  
together with Isobel who is being baptised,  
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.  
We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## **BAPTISM**

*The minister pours water on the candidate, saying*

I baptise you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

*The newly-baptised is signed with the cross for a second time, symbolising her now joining with Christ who is the Anointed One.*

## WELCOME AND PEACE

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:  
Isobel,  
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;  
we are children of the same heavenly Father;  
we welcome you.**

We are all one in Christ Jesus.  
We belong to him through faith,  
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All and also with you.**

Minister Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*During the hymn the gifts of the people may be collected.*

## HYMN

- 1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise.
- 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word  
Rise up and follow thee.
- 3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!
- 4 Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and thy balm;

Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

*John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892) HymnQuest ID: 52125*

## TABLE PRAYER

Father,  
in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous;  
accept the offering of your Church,  
and grant that Christ may shine in us  
to the praise and glory of your name.

**All      Amen.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

**All      The Lord be with you  
and also with you.**

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

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

**All      It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.  
When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.  
You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

**All      In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.  
He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat;  
this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**All      Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
             his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**All      Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
             his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death  
and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit  
that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All      As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
             make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven.

**All      Amen.**

**All      Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,  
             holy is the Lord God Almighty.  
             Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,  
             holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
             Who was and is and is to come.  
             Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

*Silence may be kept.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**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.

*(Or)*

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.

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The President breaks the consecrated 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.

## **AGNUS DEI**

**All** O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts  
and take our sin away.  
O Lamb of God, your grace impart,  
and let our guilty fear depart,  
have mercy, Lord, we pray,  
have mercy, Lord, we pray.

*[Repeat once from the beginning.]*

*Michael L Forster (b. 1946) © 1997, 1999 Kevin Mayhew Ltd; HymnQuest ID: 77777*

## **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.

**All** Lord, give us this bread always.

*The people come forward to receive communion. Authorized words of distribution are said, to which the communicant replies Amen.*

## HYMNS

- 1 Thy kingdom come, O God,  
thy rule, O Christ, begin;  
break with thine iron rod  
the tyrannies of sin.
- 2 Where is thy reign of peace  
and purity and love?  
When shall all hatred cease,  
as in the realms above?
- 3 When comes the promised time  
that war shall be no more,  
and lust, oppression, crime  
shall flee thy face before?
- 4 We pray thee, Lord, arise,  
and come in thy great might;  
revive our longing eyes,  
which languish for thy sight.
- 5 Some scorn thy sacred name,  
and wolves devour thy fold;  
by many deeds of shame  
we learn that love grows cold.
- 6 O'er lands both near and far  
thick darkness broodeth yet:  
arise, O morning star,  
arise and never set.

*Lewis Hensley (1824-1905), HymnQuest ID: 62865*

- 1 O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray  
that all thy Church might be for ever one,  
grant us at every Eucharist to say  
with longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.'  
O may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.
- 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;  
make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;  
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,  
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace:

thus may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.

- 3 So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,  
may we be one with all thy Church above,  
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,  
one with thy saints in one unbounded love:  
more blessed still, in peace and love to be  
one with the Trinity in unity.

*William Henry Turton (1856-1938) HymnQuest ID: 59406*

*Silence is kept.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Eternal God, our beginning and our end,  
preserve in your people the new life of baptism;  
as Christ receives us on earth,  
so may he guide us through the trials of this world,  
and enfold us in the joy of heaven,  
where you live and reign,  
one God for ever and ever.

- All Faithful God,**  
**in baptism you have adopted us as your children,**  
**made us members of the body of Christ**  
**and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom:**  
**we thank you that in this Eucharist**  
**you renew your promises within us;**  
**empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve,**  
**and send us out as disciples of your Son,**  
**Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

### **BAPTISM: GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE**

*The newly-baptised, the parents and godparents return to the altar to receive a lighted candle.*

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness  
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;  
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**All Shine as a light in the world  
to the glory of God the Father.**

## **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

God, who in Christ gives us  
a spring of water welling up to eternal life,  
perfect in you the image of his glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

## **HYMN**

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
Light for the world to see.

Refrain *Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church  
Gathered today.*

2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us  
Make us your living voice.

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
Shared until all are fed.

4 Longing for shelter people are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
Walls made of living stone.

5 Many the gifts, many the people,  
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,  
Making your kingdom come.

*Bernadette Farrell, OCP Publications*

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

*After the service join us in the hall for refreshments*

*Please take this folio home  
for your prayers during the week*

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