

For the safety of those worshipping in our buildings and in line with current Church of England guidelines:

Please use the hand sanitiser stations when you enter the church, and before and after communion and when you leave.

Please sit and remain in the pew the steward directed you to upon your arrival.

The wearing of face masks is not mandatory, but we encourage you to consider doing so. Please remove your mask before you sanitise your hands to receive communion.

At the distribution of communion please wait in your pew until the steward directs you to go forward.

At the end of our worship, please stay seated, until the steward indicates you can safely leave.

Please take this service sheet home with you.

Sadly, there will be no gathering afterwards, and the toilets are only available in emergencies.

Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)

GREETING

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you,

All and also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All 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

My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

All **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.**

The almighty and merciful Lord
grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

COLLECT

Almighty God,
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you in this house of prayer:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being
filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

READING Romans 9.1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ – I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit – I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 14.13-21

There will be no Gospel procession

Alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus heard that Herod had beheaded John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Silence may be kept.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION LED BY REV PAULA

Let us pray.

This response may be included:

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

PEACE

God has called us to live in peace.

cf 1 Corinthians 7.17

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ, our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
enthroned upon the praises of your people.

We thank you for this house of prayer,
in which you bless your family
as we come to you in pilgrimage.
Here you reveal your presence in sacramental signs
and make us one with you through the unseen bond of grace.

Here you build your temple of living stones
and bring the Church to its full stature
as the body of Christ throughout the world,
to reach its perfection at last
in the heavenly city of Jerusalem,
which is the vision of your peace.

Therefore, in union with the heavenly Jerusalem,
with angels in joyful assembly,
with all whose names are written in heaven
and with the spirits of the righteous made perfect,
we join in the triumphal song of praise saying together:

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it 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 gave you thanks;
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.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
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

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All 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

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.**

**All Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
 Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
 Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

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.**

WORDS OF DISTRIBUTION (said to the whole congregation)

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion in one kind only which is distributed in silence.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God,
sustain us in this vale of tears
with the vision of your grace and glory,
that, strengthened by the bread of life,
we may come to your eternal dwelling place;
in the power of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

NOTICES

BLESSING

Christ, whose glory is in the heavens,
fill this house and illuminate your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The minister(s) depart.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit Peter B, Christian S

The housebound Ruth S, Doreen A, Margaret O, Diana B.

The church The Porvoo Churches: Bristol, Helsinki.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, first obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for. Then tell Rev Paula or Agnes at the Benefice Office whom to pray for and the reason why. A name remains on the list for three weeks.

REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

Those who have died recently Pat Ward

Those whose anniversaries fall on this week Joyce Allen, Fred Desborough, Jack Bosworth, Allison Perry, Raymond Ivey, Ada Thoroughgood, Doris Bues, Marjorie Grove, Joan Stiener, Vera Thomas, Albert Joseph Short, Colin Carr, Josephine Still, Reginald James Lovell, Jack and Betty Smith, Charles Bruce Brown, Betty Soames, Kenneth Frederick Byers, Beryl Nora Maudsley

NOTICES

All Saints' Mothers' Union celebrate Mary Sumner, their founder, with a gathering on Wed 12 Aug at 14:00, in Rev Christine's garden.

Reading Café meet on Fri 14 Aug at 16:00, via Zoom. If you need the registration link, ask Helen Jennings.

Our prayer chain is made up of 12 members of All Saints and All Hallows. To ask them to pray for you, a friend, or a relative, ring Barbara Haynes (01933 222612).

Used spectacles & hearing aids are collected in the bin in All Saints' Narthex. The Lion's Club will ship them out to Third World countries.

To add a notice, contact Agnes at the Benefice Office.

DIARY

Tue

8:30 via Zoom Morning prayer

Wed 5 Aug

10:30 All Hallows Lady Chapel open

17:30 via Zoom Evening prayer

Thurs 6 Aug

8:30 via Zoom Morning prayer

10:00 All Saints Lady Chapel open

19:00 AS PCC meeting

Sat 8 Aug

10:30 All Hallows Lady Chapel open

Sun 9 Aug

8:00 All Saints Eucharist

9:15 All Saints Eucharist

11:15 All Saints Eucharist

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