



Holy Communion

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

13 September 2020

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 **remain in the seat** the steward directed you to upon your arrival.*

*The **wearing of masks is mandatory** in church, please remove your mask only when receiving communion.*

At the distribution of communion please wait in your seat 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*Personal **photographs you take in our church**, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)*

The recording of this service will be available later today online:

<https://rebrand.ly/saintsandhallows>

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.

CONFESSION

We come to God
as one from whom no secrets are hidden,
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

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.

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

COLLECT

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

READING Genesis 50.15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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 18.21-35

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell

down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.

'So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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

Let us pray.

This response may be included:

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

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

PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body you are called to peace.

cf Colossians 3.15

All The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

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.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord
walks with your gathered people,

unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels
and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song of praise:

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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died
he had supper with his friends,
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

All **Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with *[N and]* all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

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

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 all here

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, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

NOTICES

BLESSING

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

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 ministers depart.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Peter B, Christian S, Sue P, Roger P, Richard H, Tim C.

The housebound Ruth S, Margaret O, Diana B.

The church the Anglican Church of South America, The Most Revd Gregory James Venables, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America and Bishop of Argentina; The Porvoo Churches – Tuam Killala and Achonry, Bath and Wells.

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 whose anniversaries fall on this week Mary Stevens, William Albert Walker, Stanley Le Count, Gerald Clarke, Margaret Steele, Marian Andrews, Harry England, Nick White, Dick Biggs, Terence Eugene Waite, Grace Herod, Richard Wigglesworth, Colin Collins, Olive Wills, John Jakeman, Colin Tuplin, James Ward.

HARVEST 2020

As with most things, our Harvest Thanksgiving will be slightly different this year. We will have a special **Eucharist service of Thanksgiving at our normal service times on Sunday 27 September**, however there can not be any congregational singing and our harvest gifts will not be brought up to the altar as they would normally.

This year we are donating all Harvest gifts to the Daylight Centre. We ask that you bring non-perishable goods to church on 27 September. If you would like to make a coin donation, please tape the coin to the packaging. There will be a container at the back of church for people to place their donations in as they come into church.

These are items requested by the Daylight Centre Foodbank:

Non-perishable foodstuffs including:

- Anything that comes in a can or jar.
- Everything a home cook has in their cupboard such as custard powder and gravy granules or salt and pepper.
- All basic staple foodstuffs such as rice and sugar or tea and coffee.
- Anything that's good for a family with young children such as cereals and squash for food parcels for families.
- Everything that you might choose to eat if you didn't have access to cooking facilities such as biscuits and instant noodles or anything in a ring-pull can.
- Bottled water.

All donations are very, very gratefully received as the Foodbank tries to feed the hungry of our town.

Reverend Paula

NOTICES

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

DIARY

Tue 15 Sept

8:30 via Zoom

Cyprian

Morning prayer

Wed 16 Sept

10:30 All Hallows

17:30 via Zoom

Ninian

Lady Chapel open

Evening prayer

Thurs 17 Sept

8:30 via Zoom

10:00 All Saints

19:00 All Saints

Hildegard

Morning prayer

Lady Chapel open

PCC meeting

Sat 19 Sept

10:30 All Hallows

Lady Chapel open

Sun 20 Sept

8:00 All Saints

9:15 All Saints

11:15 All Hallows

Trinity 15

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