

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.

Remain in the seat the steward directed you to upon your arrival. At the distribution of communion please wait in your seat until the steward directs you to go forward.

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

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Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)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

Amen.

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Words of welcome may be said.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**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 inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CONFESSION

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

cf 1 Corinthians 5.7,8

**Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

cf Hosea 6

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

COLLECT

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

The Collect is said.

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life,
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 3.12-19

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 4

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness;
you set me at liberty when I was in trouble;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 How long will you nobles dishonour my glory;
how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood?
- 3 But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness;
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Stand in awe, and sin not;
commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.
- 5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 There are many that say, 'Who will show us any good?'
Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.
- 8 In peace I will lie down and sleep,
for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety.

SECOND READING 1 John 3.1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

At the end the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

GOSPEL READING Luke 24.36b-48

Alleluia! [x3]

Minister Jesus said
'I am the first and the last, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.'

Alleluia! [x3]

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
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.

**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

From the rising of the sun to its setting,
let us pray to the Lord.

This response may be included:

We pray to the Lord.

Silence is kept.

PEACE

The president says:

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

cf John 20.19

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

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body, wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.

We shall remember Jesus.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
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,
and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
say for ever the hymn of your glory:

**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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Minister Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of *[N and]* all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour 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 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.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

WORDS OF DISTRIBUTION said to all here

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

NOTICES

BLESSING

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Minister Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

The people depart from the building, followed by the ministers.

INTERCESSIONS

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Sue P, Roger P, Richard H, Tim C, Kay G, Oliver D, Cedric G, Pam B.

The housebound: Ruth S, Margaret O, Diana B.

The Church of Ireland, the Porvoo Churches: Blackburn, Brechin, The Lutheran Church in Great Britain.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please first obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for. Then tell Rev Christine whom to pray for and the reason why.

REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

Those whose anniversaries fall on this week: Doris Plackett, Arthur Raymond Elliott, Edna May Benbow, Laura Tilley, Ida May Fair, Phyllis Biggs, Peter Strickland, Trudie Strickland, Kate Maud Coles, Phyllis Mary Anderson, Janet Marguerite Anderson, Bill Soames, Phyllis Edith Byles, Ruby Irene Meeks, Frank Steele, Gregory Owen, Eric Poole, William Barker, Henry Renk, Mavis James, William Wooding, Robert Worley, Tim Gatenby, Norman Haynes, Hilda Cherry, Ethel Pettifer, Joan Woodcock, Eileen Moore, Marie Lucas, Laurie Wright, Arthur West, Beatrice Worley.

NOTICES

The Church Electoral Rolls of All Saints and of All Hallows will be revised by 25 April. Please let your Electoral Roll Officer know if there are any changes in your details:

All Hallows – Dick Smart (dicksmart737@hotmail.com);

All Saints – Bob Allen (robert.allen7@ntlworld.cm, 01933 383316).

We hold the Annual Parochial Church Meeting of:

All Saints on Sunday 9 May at 10:15 (after the 9:15 service) in the hall;

All Hallows on Monday 10 May at 19:30 via Zoom.

Paper copies of the annual reports will be distributed at church. For a digital copy or the Zoom link please contact the office (officeallsaints@btinternet.com / officeallhallows@btinternet.com).

Well grown tomato plants for sale. Cherry and full-size, from home-saved seed. 50p each. Proceeds go to All Saints. Contact Caroline (caroline_skinner@btinternet.com, 01933 383868).

DIARY

Tuesday 20 April

8:30 - 9:00 Zoom Morning Prayer

Wednesday 21 April Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec and Archbishop of Canterbury

10:30 - 12:15 All Hallows open for private prayer

12:15 - 13:00 All Hallows Midweek Eucharist

17:30 - 18:00 Zoom Evening Prayer

Thursday 22 April

8:30 - 9:00 Zoom Morning Prayer

10:00 - 10:30 All Saints Holy Communion

Saturday 24 April

10:30 - 12:30 All Hallows open for private prayer

Sunday 25 April Mark the Evangelist

8:00 - 8:30 All Saints Eucharist

9:15 - 10:15 All Saints Eucharist

11:15 - 12:15 All Hallows Eucharist

18:00 - 18:30 Zoom Compline

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