

We continue to observe **social distancing rules** in our church.

Please use the **hand sanitiser** stations when you arrive, before and after communion, and when you leave. Do wear a **face mask** when you are moving around in church. You may remove your mask whilst sitting in your pew, and for a brief period when receiving communion.

Please take this service sheet home with you.

Sadly, there will be no gathering afterwards.

**Personal photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)

## HYMN

1 For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

Refrain *Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.*

2 For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light:

3 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:

4 For each perfect gift of thine,  
to our race so freely given,  
graces human and divine,  
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:

## GREETING

The land has yielded its harvest.  
**God, our God, has blessed us.**

Come into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his courts with praise.  
**Give thanks to him and bless his holy name.**

For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is forever.  
**His faithfulness throughout all generations.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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

## CONFESSION

Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor,  
and repent of the ways  
in which we waste the resources of the world.

We confess to you  
our lack of care for the world you have given us.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

We confess to you  
our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

We confess to you  
our failure to protect resources for others.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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.  
**Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God in heaven,  
And to all his people, peace.  
Heav'nly King, almighty Father,  
May our worship never cease;  
May our voices ever thank you,  
Songs of blessing ever send,  
May we always live to praise you,  
For your glory without end.

Jesus, Son of God the Father,  
Merciful beyond compare,  
All our sin, by you forgiven;  
Lamb of God, receive our prayer.  
Jesus, you alone are holy,  
Jesus, you alone are Lord,  
With the Holy Spirit reigning,  
And the Father—glorious God!

*Alexander Crawford, after the 'Gloria in excelsis Deo'*

## COLLECT

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

Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land,  
the riches of the sea, and the rhythm of the seasons;  
as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## READING 1 Timothy 2.1-7

I urge that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants us all to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and us, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all – the testimony given in its proper time. And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle – I am telling the truth, I am not lying – and a teacher of the true faith to the Gentiles.

*At the end the reader may say*

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

*Silence may be kept.*

## GOSPEL READING Matthew 6.25-33

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

“I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

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

Let us pray to God,  
the Lord of the harvest,  
that he will bring to fruition  
all that he desires for his creation.

*This response may be included:*

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end:*

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

## PEACE

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,  
patience, kindness, goodness,  
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

*cf Galatians 5.22,23.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you,  
**and also with you.**

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## HYMN

- 1 For the fruits of his creation,  
Thanks be to God;  
For his gifts to ev'ry nation,  
Thanks be to God;  
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,  
Silent growth while we are sleeping,  
Future needs in earth's safe-keeping,  
Thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labour,  
God's will is done;  
In the help we give our neighbour,  
God's will is done;  
In our world-wide task of caring  
For the hungry and despairing,  
In the harvests we are sharing,  
God's will is done.
- 3 For the harvests of his Spirit,  
Thanks be to God;  
For the good we all inherit,  
Thanks be to God;  
For the wonders that astound us,  
For the truths that still confound us,  
Most of all, that love has found us,  
Thanks be to God.

## 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.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,  
your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son  
to rescue us from sin and death.

Your Word goes out to call us home  
to the city where angels sing your praise.  
We join with them in heaven's song:

**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.**

Father of all, we give you thanks  
for every gift that comes from heaven.

To the darkness Jesus came as your light.  
With signs of faith and words of hope  
he touched untouchables with love  
and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.  
**This is our song:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,  
yet at the end they turned on him.  
On the night he was betrayed  
he came to table with his friends  
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;  
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:  
This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;  
he took the cup, gave it and said:  
This is my blood, shed for you all  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father,  
with this bread and this cup  
we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.  
Defying death he rose again  
and is alive with you  
to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now  
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ  
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.  
May we and all who share this food  
offer ourselves to live for you  
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven  
where all creation worships you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**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.



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.

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.  
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.  
Amen.

*Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion in one kind only.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have celebrated Harvest,  
brought our gifts, sung hymns  
and remembered God's generosity.  
As we go out into the world, help us, Father,  
to live our lives as people of the harvest,  
to share and give, to bless and to love,  
through Jesus, our friend and Lord.

**We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

## NOTICES

### HYMN

- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home!  
All is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come;  
raise the song of harvest-home!
- 2 All the world is God's own field,  
fruit unto his praise to yield;  
wheat and tares together sown,  
unto joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear:  
grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take his harvest home;  
from his field shall purge away  
all that doth offend, that day;  
give his angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,

but the fruitful ears to store  
in his garner evermore.

- 4 Then, thou Church triumphant, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home;  
all be safely gathered in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there for ever purified  
in God's garner to abide:  
come, ten thousand angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home!

*Henry Alford (1810-1871) and others, HymnQuest ID: 51977*

## BLESSING

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is the source of all goodness and growth,  
pour his blessing upon all things created,  
and upon you his children,  
that you may use his gifts  
to his glory and the welfare of all peoples.

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Freely you have received, freely give.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The people and the ministers depart.*

## OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

**Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit**, among them Sue P, Richard H, Tim C, Kay G, Oliver D, Veronica D, Fred R, Jonathan, Diane J, Fr Stephen S, Ron W, Wendy S.

**The housebound** and those in residential homes: Diana B, Cedric G.

*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:** Madge Woolston, Derek Whiteoak, Arthur Billett, Lilian Ottaway, Rex Swindall, Douglas Battson, Freda Wooding, Constance Martin, Olive Henson, Wilf Foster, Dennis Briggs, Neil Owen Meekings, Mary Rudd, Anthony Paul Lovell, Wilfred Maurice Phillips, Lily Gartside, Eileen Maud Baxter, Reg Green.

## NOTICES

**Traditional Harvest Songs of Praise** Sun 3 Oct 16:00, All Saints. A service of traditional harvest hymns and readings. All welcome!

**All Souls Service** Tue 5 Nov 19:30, All Hallows. The names of the departed will be remembered during the service. Please add the names of those you wish to be remembered to the list at the back of both churches. Please use capital letters for legibility.

**All Hallows' Remembrance Sunday** (14 Nov) service starts at 9:30am, so that we can attend the town memorial service afterwards.

**Do you want to be Child Bishop?** If the answer is yes! Please write an essay (~200 words) about why and send it by 31 October to [officeallsaints@btinternet.com](mailto:officeallsaints@btinternet.com) or All Saints' Church, Midland Rd, Wellingborough NN8 1HF, with your name and telephone number. Details and requirements are in the magazine.

### Listening Events in October

Invitations to these have been posted this week. If you have not received an invitation, please let Agnes know – this will be because of human error, NOT an intentional omission.

We will be holding a separate event for our young people and details of this will be confirmed in the next couple of weeks.

**Please could you RSVP as soon as possible:**

**to the Church Office email address: [officeallsaints@btinternet.com](mailto:officeallsaints@btinternet.com)**

**or by telephone: 01933 278484, please leave a message.**

## DIARY

### Tues 5 Oct

8:30 - 9:00      Zoom            Morning Prayer

### Wed 6 Oct

#### William Tyndale

9:00 - 10:00      All Saints      school worship  
10:30 - 12:15    All Hallows    open to the public  
12:15 - 13:00    All Hallows    Midweek Eucharist  
17:30 - 18:00    Zoom            Evening Prayer

### Thurs 7 Oct

8:30 - 9:00      Zoom            Morning Prayer  
10:00 - 10:30    All Saints      Holy Communion

### Sat 9 Oct

10:30 - 12:15    All Hallows    open to the public

### Sun 10 Oct

#### Trinity 19

9:15 - 10:30      All Saints      Eucharist  
11:15 - 12:30    All Hallows    Eucharist  
18:00 - 18:30    Zoom            Compline



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