



# Holy Communion

## Child Bishop Making & Toy Service

First Sunday of Advent  
28 November 2021

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. We continue to take **communion** in one kind only.

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**Personal photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)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 Lo, he comes with clouds descending,  
once for favoured sinners slain;  
thousand thousand saints attending  
swell the triumph of his train.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Christ appears on earth to reign!
- 2 Ev'ry eye shall now behold him  
robed in dreadful majesty;  
we who set at naught and sold him,  
pieced and nailed him to the tree,  
deeply grieving, deeply grieving, deeply grieving,  
shall the true Messiah see.
- 3 Yea, amen, let all adore thee,  
high on thine eternal throne:  
Saviour, take the pow'r and glory,  
claim the kingdom for thine own.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788) and John Cennick (1718-1755) HymnQuest ID: 46623*

## 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.**

*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.

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

When the Lord comes,  
he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,  
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.

Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

## KYRIE

O God,  
you know my foolishness  
and my sins are not hidden from you:

*Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.*

*Christe eleison, Christe eleison.*

*Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.*

Let not the flood overwhelm me  
nor the depths swallow me up;  
let not the pit shut its mouth upon me:

*Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

*Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.*

*Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

Hear me, O Lord,  
as your loving kindness is good;  
turn to me as your compassion is great:

*Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.*  
*Christe eleison, Christe eleison.*  
*Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.*

*Kyrie © Vince Cross 1999*

## COLLECT

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

Almighty God,  
as your kingdom dawns,  
turn us from the darkness of sin  
to the light of holiness,  
that we may be ready to meet you  
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## FIRST READING Jeremiah 33.14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

*At the end the reader may say*

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

*Silence may be kept.*

## PSALM 25.1-9

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust;  
let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame,  
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.
- 3 Make me to know your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
or you are the God of my salvation, for you have I hoped all the day long.
- 5 Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,  
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,  
according to your steadfast love.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
- 8 He will guide the humble in doing right and teach his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies..

## **SECOND READING** 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*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 21.25-36

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

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**

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid  
we pray to Jesus.

*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.**

*Silence is kept.*

Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay;  
give new courage to your people  
who trust in your love.  
By your coming,  
raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom  
on earth as in heaven,  
where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit,  
one God for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## **PRESENTATION AND LICENSING OF THE CHILD BISHOP**

*Alyssa Lyman is presented as the Child Bishop.*

Blessed are those who put their trust in the Lord.

Alyssa, you have been chosen  
to serve in the office of Child Bishop  
in the Benefice of All Saints and All Hallows, Wellingborough.

Will you be faithful and keep the promises  
made for you in holy baptism  
and affirmed by you at your confirmation?

*Child Bishop*

**I will, the Lord being my helper.**

While you hold this office,  
will you pray regularly for this congregation,  
and for all those who need your prayers?

*Child Bishop*

**I will, the Lord being my helper.**

Receive this letter of office as a pledge of your resolve.

*The Child Bishop kneels. We say together:*

**Almighty God, by whose grace alone  
we are accepted and called to your service:  
strengthen us by your Holy Spirit  
and make us worthy of our calling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord strengthen you to serve him  
all the days of your life.  
**Amen.**

**INVESTITURE ANTHEM** Wesley: Lead me, Lord

## **THE INVESTITURE**

*The candidate is vested as Child Bishop. She then stands with the president who says:*

Brothers and sisters,  
I present to you Alyssa, duly licensed as Child Bishop  
of the Benefice of All Saints and All Hallows in Wellingborough.

*All welcome the new Child Bishop.*

## **LIGHTING OF THE FIRST CANDLE – ADVENT HOPE**

Jesus said,  
'Keep awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.'  
**Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!**

*The Child Bishop lights the first candle.*

Jesus is the light of the world.  
**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

*We sing together:*

**Advent candles tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.  
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,  
changed for gladness on that day.**

## PEACE

May the God of peace make you completely holy,  
ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

## HYMN

- 1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
saying, 'Christian, follow me;'
- 2 As of old Saint Andrew 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,  
that we love him more than these.
- 5 Jesus call us: by thy mercies,  
Saviour, make us hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

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

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

As this bread was scattered and then gathered and made one,  
so may your Church be gathered into your Kingdom.

**Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

Wisdom has built her a house;  
she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

**Glory to you, O God, for ever.**



## 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 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.**

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

Awaiting his coming in glory,  
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.

## AGNUS DEI

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.

*Michael L Forster (b. 1946) based on the Agnus Dei © 1997, 1999 Kevin Mayhew Ltd*

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed**

*Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.*

## HYMN

- 1       The Spirit lives to set us free,  
          walk, walk in the light.  
          He binds us all in unity,  
          walk, walk in the light.
- Refrain *Walk in the light, walk in the light,  
          walk in the light, walk in the light of the Lord.*
- 2       He died in pain on Calvary,  
          walk, walk in the light,  
          to save the lost like you and me,  
          walk, walk in the light.
- 3       We know his death was not the end,  
          walk, walk in the light.

He gave his Spirit to be our friend,  
walk, walk in the light.

4 By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,  
walk, walk in the light.  
The Father's kindness is revealed,  
walk, walk in the light.

5 The Spirit lives in you and me,  
walk, walk in the light.  
His light will shine for all to see,  
walk, walk in the light.

*Damian Lundy (1940-1997) © 1978 Kevin Mayhew Ltd. HymnQuest ID: 62165*

1 Soon, and very soon we are going to see the King;  
soon, and very soon we are going to see the King;  
soon, and very soon we are going to see the King;  
alleluia, alleluia, we're going to see the King!

2 No more crying there, we are going to see the King...  
alleluia...

3 No more dying there, we are going to see the King...  
alleluia...  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

4 Soon and very soon we are going to see the King...  
alleluia...  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

## NOTICES

## HYMN

- 1 Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
in the midst of the darkness, shining:  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;  
set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
Shine on me, shine on me.
- Refrain *Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!*
- 2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
from the shadows into your radiance;  
by the blood I may enter your brightness:  
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.  
Shine on me, shine on me.
- 3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
so our faces display your likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory:  
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me.

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## BLESSING

*The Child Bishop says:*

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,  
scatter the darkness from before your path,  
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*The president says:*

Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

May the Lord, when he comes,  
find us watching and waiting.  
**Amen.**

*The people and ministers depart.*

## **OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR**

**Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit**, among them Richard H, Tim C, Kay G, Veronica D, Fred R, Jonathan, Diane J, Fr Stephen S, Ron W, Wendy S, Julie V, Margaret C, the pupils and staff of All Saints School who have had to reintroduce social distancing for the time being.

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

*If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please 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 fell on this past week:** Winifred McMorro Melville, Peter Gannon, Harold Sidney Stevens, Anne Nester Hughs, Caroline Elizabeth Martin, Bernard Sanders, Susan Margaret Adams, Mavis Marion Charlton, Joseph Charles Shatford, Elizabeth Frances Rowbery, Mavis Elizabeth West, Betty Hill, Susan Simson, Emily Palmer, Winifred Mary Cooper, Isabel Galilee, Charles Short, Kerry-Jane Lewis, Cliff 'Dick' Roberts, Henry Orton, Sid Desborough, Evelyn Barrett, Evelyn Lovett, John William [Jack] Wooding, Bill Timpson, Constance Bailey, Edith Blaber, Robert Jeffery Odell, Mary Parkin, May Wallis, Iris Robins, Eileen Falkner.

## NOTICES

**The Town Council have organised a Christmas Market** for Sat 11 Dec 10:00-15:00. It will end with the Town Carol Service outside All Hallows Church with free refreshments being served. Please do come along and support this event.

**Advent Course - The Art of Advent** to be held via Zoom every Thurs 19:00, starting on 2 Dec. Please do let Agnes know if you would like the Zoom link which will be sent out on Wednesdays.

**Please support All Saints' little shop** in the library corner of the church. With no chance of having a bazaar to raise funds for All Saints, we are, instead, running a stall each Sunday, with items for sale and a chance to win some valuable prizes on our Lucky Numbers board.

**The Children's Society boxholders** please bring their boxes to All Saints for the annual opening, and leave them at the back of church or give them to the wardens. If you prefer, Lynne Burton can collect it from your home, please contact her on 01933 677093 to arrange a suitable time.

**Do you shop online?** We registered with a fundraising site. If you sign up as our supporter, 4400 shops (including big names like Amazon, Argos etc.) will leave us a donation every time you shop with them online. It is completely free for you.  
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Any questions, please let Chris Haynes know.

## DIARY

### Mon 29 Nov

19:45 Zoom AH PCC meeting

### Tues 30 Nov

8:30 - 9:00 Andrew Zoom Morning Prayer

### Wed 1 Dec

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 2 Dec

8:30 - 9:00 Zoom Morning Prayer

10:00 - 10:30 All Saints Holy Communion

13:20 - 15:00 All Hallows AS School rehearsal

19:30 - 20:30 Zoom Advent Course

### Fri 3 Dec

9:00 - 10:00 All Hallows AS School Christingle

19:00 - 20:00 All Hallows choir practice

19:30 - 20:00 All Saints choir practice

### Sat 4 Dec

9:30 - 10:30 All Hallows MU Communion

10:30 - 12:30 All Hallows open to the public / Advent Appeal

16:00 - 17:00 Zoom Christingle

### Sun 5 Dec Advent 2

#### *Magazine deadline*

8:00 - 8:30 All Saints Eucharist

9:15 - 10:30 All Saints Eucharist

11:15 - 12:30 All Hallows Eucharist

18:00 - 18:30 Zoom Compline

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