



Holy Communion

Second Sunday of Lent
13 March 2022

A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether a regular or a visitor, it is good to have you here.

*At **All Hallows** we continue to take precautions to keep everyone as safe as possible as we worship. If you wish to continue to observe **social distancing rules** during worship, please sit in the side aisles.*

*We encourage you to use the **hand sanitiser stations** when you arrive, before and after communion, and when you leave; and to wear **a face mask, particularly when singing**. We continue to take communion in one kind only.*

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We stand as the bell sounds to mark the beginning of our worship. The ministers process into the church.

GREETING

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

All Amen.

Minister The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

HYMN

1 Lord, as the day begins
lift up our hearts in praise;
take from us all our sins,
guard us in all our ways:
our every step direct and guide
that Christ in all be glorified!

2 Christ be in work and skill,
serving each other's need;
Christ be in thought and will,

Christ be in word and deed:
our minds be set on things above
in joy and peace, in faith and love.

3 Grant us the Spirit's strength,
teach us to walk his way;
so bring us all at length
safe to the close of day:
from hour to hour sustain and bless,
and let our song be thankfulness.

4 Now as the day begins
make it the best of days;
take from us all our sins,
guard us in all our ways:
our every step direct and guide
that Christ in all be glorified!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

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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

Minister The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

KYRIE ELEISON

Minister Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister Against you, you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

Minister Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

cf Psalm 51

ABSOLUTION

Minister The Lord enrich you with his grace,
and nourish you with his blessing;
the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil;
the Lord accept your prayers,
and absolve you from your offences,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

All **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:

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.'

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

LENT PROSE

Choir Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:
for we have sinned against thee.

**All Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

Choir O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father:
way of salvation, gate of life celestial:
cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

**All Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

SECOND READING Philippians 3.17-4.1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to

make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

HYMN

- 1 Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare.
- 2 They stand, those halls of Sion,
conjubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr throng;
the Prince is ever with them,
the daylight is serene,
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.
- 3 There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
and they, who with their leader
have conquered in the fight,
for ever and for ever
are clad in robes of white.
- 4 O sweet and blessèd country,
the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country
that eager hearts expect!
Jesu, in mercy bring us
to that dear land of rest;

who art, with God the Father
and Spirit, ever blest.

Urbs Sion aurea, Bernard of Cluny (12th century) translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

GOSPEL READING Luke 13.31-35

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Minister The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice.
Harden not your hearts.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

CREED

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

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Silence may be kept.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Minister We pray to the Lord for courage
to give up other things
and to give ourselves to him this Lent.

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.**

Silence may be kept.

PEACE

Minister Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ
who has given us access to his grace.

cf Romans 5.1,2

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

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

During the hymn the gifts of the people may be gathered.

HYMN

- 1 Bright the vision that delighted
once the sight of Judah's seer;
sweet the countless tongues united
to entrance the prophet's ear.
- 2 Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled his temple, and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:
- 3 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'
- 4 Heaven is still with glory ringing,
earth takes up the angels' cry,
'Holy, holy, holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'
- 5 With his seraph train before him,
with his holy church below,
thus unite we to adore him,
bid we thus our anthem flow:
- 6 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

Richard Mant (1776–1848) based on Isaiah 6.1-6

TABLE PRAYER

Minister God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
Accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Minister The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Minister Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Minister Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Minister It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
we may grow in grace
and learn to be your people once again.

Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word
you open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to welcome others
into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
with joyful hearts and minds
we bless you for your mercy
and join with saints and angels
for ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Minister 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 Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

**All Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Minister 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.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister Trusting in the compassion of God,
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.

Minister Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
All we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

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

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

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Minister Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All 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.

ANTHEM C. V. Stanford: Pray that Jerusalem may have peace

Pray that Jerusalem may have peace and felicity,
Let them that love thee and thy peace Have still prosperity.
Therefore I wish that peace may still in thy walls remain,
And ever may thy places Prosperity retain.
Now for my friends' and brethren's sakes,
Peace be in thee, I'll say.
And for the house of God our Lord, I'll seek thy good always.

HYMN

- 1 Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found —
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.
- 2 Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight —
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
- 3 Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:

keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All **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 There's a wideness in God's mercy
 like the wideness of the sea;
 there's a kindness in his justice
 which is more than liberty.
 There is no place where earth's sorrows
 are more felt than up in heaven;
 there is no place where earth's failings
 have such kindly judgement given.
- 2 For the love of God is broader
 than the measure of our mind,
 and the heart of the Eternal
 is most wonderfully kind.
 But we make his love too narrow
 by false limits of our own;
 and we magnify his strictness
 with a zeal he would not own.
- 3 There is plentiful redemption
 through the blood that has been shed;
 there is joy for all the members
 in the sorrows of the Head.
 There is grace enough for thousands
 of new worlds as great as this;
 there is room for fresh creations
 in that upper home of bliss.

Second half of tune:

4 If our love were but more simple,
 we should take him at his word;
 and our lives would be all gladness
 in the joy of Christ our Lord.

Frederick William Faber (1814–1863)

BLESSING

Minister Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
 to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
 and the blessing of God almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The people and ministers depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach: Adagio from the Toccata and Fugue in C

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Richard H, Tim C, Kay G, Jonathan, Diane J, Ron W, Wendy S, Julie V, Margaret C, Kath T, Leslie, June M, Marion D, Veronica D, Brian D, Shirley C.

The housebound and those in residential homes: Fred R, Shirley C, 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: Thomas Cherry, Phyllis Smith, John Dickenson, Joseph Cooke, Richard Adams, Jonathan Bates, Alastair Morby, John Rice, Paul Sanders, Ferdinand Buchta, Arthur Jakeman, Walter Wilkinson, Beryl Lowry, Stan Lovell, Ernest Hedley Tutt, Doreen Annie Heathcote, Iris Mary Boulden, Marjorie Manning, Joan Handley, Frank Barron, Grace Jenny Mandeville, Varbo Harry Cron Ager, Kate Edwards, Alan Dimmer, Frank Arthur Labram, Clara Maud Carter, Kathleen Johnson, Arthur James Brushfield.

NOTICES

Help required As a Benefice we would like to mark the National Day of Reflection on 23 March, remembering those who lost their lives during the pandemic. We want to host this at All Hallows, having the church open 10am - 4pm, with a book of condolence, prayers on the hour, prayer activity and joining the national minutes silence at 12noon. We are looking for volunteers from BOTH churches. If you are able to help please let Jan Smart or Bob Addie know. Thank you.

Please let Ann Harrison know if you would like to buy a lily in remembrance of a loved one. Ann would like to have the names and a donation of £3 per lily by the end March.

DIARY

Tues 15 Mar

8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop

Wed 16 Mar

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
12:15 - 13:00	All Hallows	Midweek Eucharist
12:50 - 14:20	All Hallows' Hall	Lent group
17:30 - 18:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer

Thurs 17 Mar **Patrick, patron saint of Ireland**

8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00 - 10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion
19:00 - 20:30	Lady Chapel, All Saints	Lent group

Fri 18 Mar

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
19:00 - 20:00	All Hallows	choir practice
19:30 - 20:00	All Saints	choir practice

Sat 19 Mar **Joseph of Nazareth**

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows	open to the public

Sun 20 Mar **Lent 3**

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

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