



Holy Communion

Third Sunday of Lent
20 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 Saints** 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. We encourage you to wear **a face mask, particularly when singing**.*

We continue to take communion in one kind only.

***Personal photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)*

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 Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:

Chorus *For his mercies ay endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.*

2 Let us blaze his name abroad,
for of gods he is the God:

- 3 He with all-commanding might
filled the new-made world with light:
- 4 All things living he doth feed,
his full hand supplies their need:
- 5 Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:

John Milton, the elder (c.1563–1647) based on Psalm 136

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

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

Choir Kyrie eleison,

All Kyrie eleison.

Choir Christe eleison,

All Christe eleison.

Choir Kyrie eleison,

All Kyrie eleison.

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

Choir Lord have mercy,

All Lord have mercy.

Choir Christ have mercy,

All Christ have mercy.
Choir Lord have mercy,
All Lord have mercy.

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

Choir Kyrie eleison,
All Kyrie eleison.
Choir Christe eleison,
All Christe eleison.
Choir Kyrie eleison,
All Kyrie eleison.

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:

Eternal God, give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 55.1-9

The LORD says this:

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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 God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated:
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

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

SECOND READING 1Corinthians 10.1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual

immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

ANTHEM Farrant: Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake

GOSPEL READING Luke 13.1-9

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

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

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

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them - do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

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 Timeless love! We sing the story,
praise his wonders, tell his worth;
love more fair than heaven's glory,
love more firm than ancient earth!
Tell his faithfulness abroad:
who is like him? Praise the Lord!
- 2 By his faithfulness surrounded,
north and south his hand proclaim;
earth and heaven formed and founded,
skies and seas, declare his Name!

Wind and storm obey his word:
who is like him? Praise the Lord!

3 Truth and righteousness enthrone him,
just and equal are his ways;
more than happy, those who own him,
more than joy, their songs of praise!
Sun and Shield and great Reward:
who is like him? Praise the Lord!

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TABLE PRAYER

Minister God of our journey,
as we walk with you on your path of obedience,
sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory;
through Jesus Christ our 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, God of might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory, come in glory.
Lord Jesus, come in glory, 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 Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us [x2].

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us [x2].

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us your peace [x4].

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.

HYMNS

1 Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea:
a great High Priest, whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

2 When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look, and see him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God, the Just, is satisfied

to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

3 Behold him there! the risen Lamb!
my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with my Lord, I cannot die;
my soul is purchased by his blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

Charitie Lees De Chenez (1841–1923)

1 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,
for thy flesh is meat indeed;
ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread;
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of him who died.

2 Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,
to thy cross we look and live:
Jesus, may we ever be
grafted, rooted, built in thee.

Josiah Conder (1789–1855)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;
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 Sing, my soul, when hope is sleeping,
sing when faith gives way to fears;
sing to melt the ice of sadness,
making way for joy through tears.
- 2 Sing, my soul, when sickness lingers,
sing to dull the sharpest pain;
sing to set the spirit leaping:
healing needs a glad refrain.
- 3 Sing, my soul, of him who shaped me,
let me wander far away,
ran with open arms to greet me,
brought me home again to stay.
- 4 Sing, my soul, when light seems darkest,
sing when night refuses rest,
sing though death should mock the future:
what's to come by God is blessed.

John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

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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.

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: Caroline Florence Addie, David Bigg, William George Phillips, Norah Evelyn Dickens, Kathleen Christian Hayers, Mary Manning, Kathleen Lovell, Ursula Steele, Leonard Gardner, Florence Tarry, Muriel Dagger, Len Gibson, Alice Catchpole, Eric Martin, Yvonne Harrison, John Lowry, John Morgan, Stanley Griffin, Norah Dickens, Betty Ferrier, Iris Marks, Brian Simcoe, Tom Weed, Margaret Carter.

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.

All Saints' Easter lilies: please add your name to the list at the back of church if you would like a lily to remember a loved one, at £3.00 each which includes the name on a framed list displayed at the pulpit on Easter Sunday.

Cake stall in All Saints to help our depleted flower fund on Sunday 20 March after the 9:15 service. Please help by either baking cakes for us to sale, or buying some (bring your own box to take them home), or leaving a donation in an envelope on the shelf at the back near the font. Anne McInnes is coordinating.

Wedding blessing at All Saints Saturday 26 March, 2pm.

We are having coffee again after the Sunday services at All Saints. Please bring your own mug and take it home afterwards to cut back on the disposable cups.

DIARY

Tues 22 Mar

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

Wed 23 Mar

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:00 - 16:00	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 24 Mar

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 25 Mar

Annunciation

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 26 Mar

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
14:00 - 14:45	All Saints	Blessing of Marriage

Sun 27 Mar

Mothering Sunday

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

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