



Holy Communion

Mothering Sunday
27 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. 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***Personal photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)*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 For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

2 For the beauty of each hour
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,
pleasures pure and undefiled:

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

5 For thy church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love,

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917)

CONFESSION

Minister In all our services we take time to think about things that have gone wrong, even on a happy day like this. Mothering Sunday is not happy for everyone: some people here might not have a mother anymore, some might be unable to be mothers, some may have lost a child through death, or lost contact with a child for any number of reasons. Others may have had an unhappy childhood and have painful memories. So as part of saying sorry we are going to think of these situations.

Silence may be kept.

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 May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by your Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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:

Loving God,
you sent your Son to be part of a human family.
Strengthen us as we share family life together,
in our homes and in our church,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

READING 1 Samuel 1.20-28

Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only - may the LORD establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him.

When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.' She left him there for the LORD.

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 Fathers and mothers,
sisters and brothers,
all those who love us,
for whom we care:
help and befriend them,
keep and defend them,
Jesus our Saviour,
this is our prayer.

2 And for those others,
fathers and mothers,
children who hunger,
they must be fed:
we would be caring,
readily sharing,
one with another
our daily bread.

3 Sisters and brothers,
fathers and mothers,
we who together
offer our praise:
hear our thanksgiving,
God ever living,
may we walk with you
all of our days.

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GOSPEL READING John 19.25-27

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

Minister Your words are spirit, your words are life, your words are truth.
Lord, we believe that you have the message of everlasting life.

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

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple

whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

After the Homily silence may be kept.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Minister Today we think especially about being part of a family,
and particularly of how God is both Father and Mother to us.

Let us share together in these words:

All 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.

cf Ephesians 3

Silence may be kept.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

This response may be included:

All God of love,
hear our prayer.

And at the end:

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

Silence may be kept.

PEACE

Minister Through the Prophet Isaiah, God says,
"As a mother comforts her child,
so will I comfort you."

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Minister As we stand in our pews,
let us offer one another a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

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

HYMN

- 1 God of Eve and God of Mary,
God of love and mother-earth,
thank you for the ones who with us
shared their life and gave us birth.
- 2 As you came to earth in Jesus,
so you come to us today;
you are present in the caring
that prepares us for life's way.
- 3 Thank you that the Church, our Mother,
gives us bread and fills our cup,
and the comfort of the Spirit
warms our hearts and lifts us up.
- 4 Thank you for belonging, shelter,
bonds of friendship, ties of blood,
and for those who have no children,
yet are parents under God.
- 5 God of Eve and God of Mary,
Christ our brother, human Son,
Spirit, caring like a Mother,
take our love and make us one!

Fred Kaan (1929-2009)

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TABLE PRAYER

Minister With this bread that we bring
All we shall remember Jesus.

Minister With this wine that we bring
All we shall remember Jesus.

Minister Bread for his body, wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.
All We shall remember Jesus.

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 Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.
You made us all, each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**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 We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten
he took the cup of wine, gave thanks,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood,
poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Minister So Father,
with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister 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 We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

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 God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

ANTHEM John Rutter: I will sing with the Spirit

I will sing with the spirit,
Alleluia.
I will sing with the spirit.
Alleluia.
And I will sing with the understanding also,
Alleluia.
I will sing with the spirit.
Alleluia.

HYMN

- 1 I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.
- 2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.
- 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.
- 4 The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.
- 5 Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament
with the food and drink of eternal life:

help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

NOTICES

BLESSING THE FLOWERS

The president blesses the flowers.

Minister Loving God who is both our father and our mother,
we thank you for all the love we have known
in our homes, among our friends, with God's people.

Bless these flowers and as we share them,
may they remind us to be people of thanks,
people of love, and people of joy, in Jesus' name.

All Amen.

HYMN

During the hymn the flowers are distributed by the young people.

- 1 He's got the whole world in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.
- 2 He's got you and me, brother, in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.
- 3 He's got you and me, sister, in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.
- 4 He's got the little tiny baby in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.
- 5 He's got everybody here in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.
- 6 He's got the whole world in his hand. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hand.

African-American traditional song

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 Anthony Foster: Jubilate Deo

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: Harold Edward Boulden, Anne Dorothy Woodbridge, Rennee Startin, Evelyn May Lorentzen, Helen Emma Tredgett, Donald Cock, Florence Roberts, Kit Bailey, Winnie Simms, David Young Scott, George Abbott, Edith Short, Marjorie Freeman, Iris Bird, Beryl Metcalf, Mary Anstead, Bill Wych.

NOTICES

Good Friday Family Workshop Fri 15 Apr 10:00-11:30 at The Vicarage. A morning of fun outdoor activities, for children of all ages (and their grown-ups too). Centred around Holy Week and Easter Day. Free hot cross buns and drinks. Please dress for the weather.

Holy Week posters are now available in church, please take as many as you need, to display them in your windows from Fig Monday (11 April) to Easter.

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 of March.

DIARY

Tues 29 Mar

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

Wed 30 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
13:15 - 15:00	All Saints	rehearsal
17:30 - 18:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer

Thurs 31 Mar

8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00 - 10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion
13:30 - 14:00	All Saints	school Easter service
19:00 - 20:30	Lady Chapel, All Saints	Lent group

Fri 1 Apr

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 2 Apr

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

Sun 3 Apr

Lent 5

8:00 - 8:30	All Saints	Eucharist
9:15 - 10:30	All Saints	Eucharist, followed by APCM
11:15 - 12:30	All Hallows	Eucharist
16:00 - 17:00	All Hallows	APCM
17:00 - 17:30	All Hallows	Compline

EASTER SERVICES

10 April, Palm Sunday

9:15 Family Eucharist in All Saints

11:15 Family Eucharist in All Hallows

11 April, Monday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer in All Hallows & via Zoom

17:30 Evening Prayer in All Hallows & via Zoom

12 April, Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer in All Saints

13 April, Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer in All Saints & via Zoom

12:15 Eucharist in All Hallows

17:30 Evening Prayer in All Saints & via Zoom

19:30 Stations of the Cross in All Hallows

14 April, Maundy Thursday

8:00 Morning Prayer via Zoom

NO 10:00 Holy Communion

19:30 Eucharist of the Last Supper and Watch in All Saints

21:15 Compline in All Saints

19 April, Good Friday

10:00~11:30 Children's Workshop in the Vicarage Garden

14:00 - 15:00 An Hour at the foot of the Cross

21 April Easter Day

8:00 Eucharist in All Saints

9:15 Family Eucharist in All Saints

11:15 Family Eucharist in All Hallows

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