

Holy Communion

Third Sunday of Easter 1 May 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*.

Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)

This week the **choir** take their post Easter break, therefore some sung parts of this service may be said in a different way to usual.

We stand as the bell sounds to mark the beginning of our worship. As we sing our first hymn the altar party process into church.

HYMN

- 1 Lo, round the throne, a glorious band, the saints in countless myriads stand, of every tongue redeemed to God, arrayed in garments washed in blood.
- 2 Through tribulation great they came; they bore the cross, despised the shame; from all their labours now they rest, in God's eternal glory blest.
- 3 They see their Saviour face to face, and sing the triumphs of his grace; him day and night they ceaseless praise, to him the loud thanksgiving raise:

- 4 'Worthy the Lamb, for sinners slain, through endless years to live and reign; thou hast redeemed us by thy blood, and made us kings and priests to God.'
- 5 O may we tread the sacred road that saints and holy martyrs trod; wage to the end the glorious strife, and win, like them, a crown of life.

Rowland Hill (1744-1833) and others

GREETING

Minister In the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ΑII Amen.

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

Minister Alleluia! Christ is risen.

ΑII He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Words of welcome may be said.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

ΑII 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

Deacon Let us therefore rejoice

by putting away all malice and evil,

and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

cf 1 Corinthians 5.7,8

Silence may be kept.

Deacon Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

ΑII Lord our God.

> in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud,

like the dew that goes away early.

Have mercy on us;

deliver us from judgement;

bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

cf Hosea 6

ABSOLUTION

Minister May the Father of all mercies

cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise; of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, you bore for us the load of this world's sin.

O Lamb of God, your glorious vict'ry won, receive our pray'r, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you only are the Lord, at God's right hand in majesty most high: who with the Spirit worshipped and adored: with all the heav'nly host we glorify.

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COLLECT

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

Risen Christ.

you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

All Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 9.1-20

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to

him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord lesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.'

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 30

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up and have not let my foes triumph over me.
- O Lord my God, I cried out to you and you have healed me.
- You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name.

- For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,his favour for a lifetime.Heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.
- In my prosperity I said, 'I shall never be moved.
 You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.'
- 7 Then you hid your face from me and I was utterly dismayed.
- 8 To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication:
- 9 'What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- 10 'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.'
- 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;
- Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

SECOND READING Revelation 5 11-14

I, John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!'

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, 'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!'

And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' And the elders fell down and worshipped.

At the end the reader may say

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HYMN

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had my birth. Chorus Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

- I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
 but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me.
 I danced for the fishermen, for James and John —
 they came with me and the Dance went on.
- I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
 the holy people said it was a shame.
 They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
 and they left me there on a cross to die.
- I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.

 They buried my body and they thought I'd gone; but I am the Dance, and I still go on.
- They cut me down and I leapt up high;
 I am the life that'll never, never die;
 I'll live in you if you'll live in me —
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Sydney Carter (1915-2004)

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GOSPEL READING John 21.1-19

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold. I am alive for evermore.

All Alleluia!

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will

find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Minister Let us pray to the Father, who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son to give us life.

This response may be included:

Lord, in your mercy,

All hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

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

Silence is kept.

PFACE

Minister The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord Alleluiz

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

- 1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode. On the Rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
- 2 See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage: grace which, like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age?
- 3 Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.

 Thus they march, the pillar leading, light by night and shade by day; daily on the manna feeding which he gives them when they pray.
- 4 Saviour, if of Zion's city
 I through grace a member am,
 let the world deride or pity,
 I will glory in thy name.
 Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
 all his boasted pomp and show;
 solid joys and lasting treasure,
 none but Zion's children know.

John Newton (1725-1807)

TABLE PRAYER

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

Minister With this wine that we bring 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.

EUCHARISTIC 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts

the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation say for ever the hymn of your glory:

All 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.

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.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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.

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.

Though we are many, we are one body,

All 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 Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

HYMNS

This joyful Eastertide,
 away with sin and sorrow.
 My Love, the Crucified,
 hath sprung to life this morrow:

Chorus Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen.

- 2 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber: till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number:
- Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river: Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver:

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

- 1 Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been:

 Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.
- In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain, thinking that he never would awake again, laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:

 Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.
- Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, he that for the three days in the grave had lain, back from the dead my risen Lord is seen:

 Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.
- When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, then your touch can call us back to life again, field of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

 Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. 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.
- 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.

 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.

BLESSING

Minister The God of peace,

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,

that great shepherd of the sheep,

through the blood of the eternal covenant,

make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;

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

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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, 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.

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: Bert Sharpe, Alison Leeking, Vera Binley, Arthur Davies, Wittrence Cope, Phyllis Layton, Jack Knight, Stella Warby, John Corbett, Brian Crowhurst, John Dicks, Edward Hugh Gurling, Gertrude Anabel Bates, Harold William Thomas Knight, Emily Alice Loveday, Bertram George Sharpe, Julie Lynne Berrill, Meg Northern, David Coles, Gertrude Bertha Doris Tew, Beryl Billing, Brian Tivey, Norman Farmer.

NOTICES

All Saints Jubilee quiz sheets are on sale, at £1 from members of the Fab Committee. **Caroline has tomato plants** for sale from next Sunday: cherry, beefsteak and standard varieties. Telephone or e-mail her if you would like some (01933 383868, or caroline_skinner@btinternet.com). Proceeds go to All Saints.

DIARY

Mon 2 May 18:00 - 19:15 19:30 - 21:00	Athanasius St Mary's Church Hall St Mary's Church Hall	Cubs Scouts
Tues 3 May 8:30 - 9:00 9:30 - 12:00	Zoom All Hallows' Hall	Morning Prayer coffee shop
Wed 4 May 9:30 - 12:00 10:30 - 12:30 11:00 - 11:45 12:15 - 13:00 17:30 - 18:00	English saints and man All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Saints All Hallows Zoom	rtyrs of the Reformation coffee shop open to the public funeral RIP Brian Lawrence Midweek Eucharist Evening Prayer
Thurs 5 May 8:30 - 9:00 10:00 - 10:30 18:15 - 19:30	Zoom All Saints All Hallows Hall	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Beavers
Fri 6 May 9:30 - 12:00 19:00 - 20:00 19:30 - 20:00	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Saints	coffee shop choir practice choir practice
Sat 7 May 9:30 - 12:00 9:30 - 12:00 10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Hallows	coffee shop MU Holy Communion open to the public
Sun 8 May 9:15 - 10:30 11:15 - 12:30 18:00 - 18:30 19:30 - 21:30	Easter 4 All Saints All Hallows Zoom Dale End, Croyland Rd	Eucharist Eucharist Compline Explorers

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