



## Holy Communion

Seventh Sunday of Easter  
(Sunday after Ascension Day)  
29 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. **Face masks** are no longer mandatory, but if you feel more comfortable wearing one, these can be found at the back of church.*

***Personal photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)*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. As we sing our first hymn the choir and altar party process into church.*

### HYMN

- 1 Heaven is open wide,  
and Christ in glory stands,  
with all authority endowed  
and set at God's right hand.  
Above the world of noise  
extends his reign of peace,  
and all the blood of martyrs calls  
our angry ways to cease.
- 2 Heaven is open wide,  
and perfect love we see  
in God's eternal self revealed:  
the blessed Trinity.  
Christ for the Church has prayed,  
that we may all be one,  
and share the triune grace whereby  
creation was begun.
- 3 Heaven is open wide,  
and Christ in glory stands:

the Source and End, the First and Last,  
with justice in his hands.  
Let all the thirsty come  
where life is flowing free,  
and Christ, in splendour yet unknown,  
our morning star will be.

*Michael Forster (b. 1946) © 1993 Kevin Mayhew Ltd*

## **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.**

Minister Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Words of welcome may be said.*

## **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**

Deacon What God has prepared for those who love him,  
he has revealed to us through the Spirit;  
for the Spirit searches everything.  
Therefore let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord,  
who has prepared good things for those who love him.

*cf 1 Corinthians 2.9,10*

*Silence may be kept.*

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

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

## ABSOLUTION

Minister Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth. [x2]  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth. [x2]

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us, have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive, receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth. [x2]

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.  
In the glory of God the Father. 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.*

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

All            Amen.

## FIRST READING Acts 16.16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord] to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay.

He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in 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 97**

- 1 The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice;  
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him;  
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- 3 Fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings lit up the world; the earth saw it and trembled.
- 5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,  
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declared his righteousness,  
and all the peoples have seen his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images  
and delight in mere idols.  
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced,  
because of your judgements, O Lord.
- 9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth;  
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil;  
he preserves the lives of his faithful  
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous and joy for the true of heart.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name.

## **SECOND READING** Revelation 22.12-14,16,17,20,21

I, John, heard a voice saying to me:

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may be kept.*

**ANTHEM** Gloria in Excelsis Deo (1715) ... Vivaldi

**GOSPEL READING** John 17.20-26

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

**All Alleluia!**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus looked up to the heaven and prayed:

'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.'

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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.*

## PEACE

Minister The risen Christ now reigns at God's right hand.  
He is the Prince of Peace!

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

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

### HYMN

- 1 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead,  
you alone, our strong defender,  
now lift up your people's head.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Jesu, true and living bread.
- 2 Here we kneel, our homage paying,  
here in loving reverence bow;  
here for faith's discernment praying,  
lest we fail to know you now.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
you are here, we ask not how.
- 3 Paschal Lamb, your offering finished  
once for all when you were slain,  
in its fullness undiminished



shall for evermore remain,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
cleansing souls from every stain.

- 4 Life-imparting heavenly manna,  
smitten rock with streaming side,  
heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
worship you, the Lamb who died,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
risen, ascended, glorified!

*George Hugh Bourne (1840-1925)*

## TABLE PRAYER

Minister Lord of all and source of our joy,  
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.  
Keep us in the love of Christ  
and bring us to the vision of his glory;  
through the same 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 Blessed are you, Lord God,  
our light and our salvation;  
to you be glory and praise for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks  
that, after he had ascended far above all heavens,  
and was seated at the right hand of your majesty,  
he sent forth upon the universal Church  
your holy and life-giving Spirit;  
that through his glorious power the joy  
of the everlasting gospel might go forth into all the world.

From the beginning you have created all things  
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.  
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,  
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech,  
that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven  
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**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**     How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.  
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,  
you embraced a people as your own.  
When they turned away and rebelled  
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,  
to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.  
He offered his life for sinners,  
and with a love stronger than death  
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,  
he came to supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.  
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:

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 has risen;  
Christ will come again.**

Minister Father, we plead with confidence  
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;  
we remember his dying and rising in glory,  
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you  
these gifts of your creation;  
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,  
form us in the likeness of Christ,  
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with [*N and*] all the saints  
to the vision of that eternal splendour  
for which you have created us;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
by whom, with whom, and in whom,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise.

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Silence may be kept.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Minister Looking for the coming of his kingdom,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All 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.

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

**Jesus, bread of life, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us [x2].**

**Jesus, Risen Lord, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us your peace [x4].**

## 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

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.

*David Evans (b.1957)*

- 1 For the healing of the nations,  
Lord, we pray with one accord,  
for a just and equal sharing  
of the things that earth affords.  
To a life of love in action  
help us rise and pledge our word.

- 2 Lead us forward into freedom  
from despair your world release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
all may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and goodness  
fear will die and hope increase.

- 3 All that kills abundant living,  
let it from the earth be banned:  
pride of status, race or schooling,  
dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice  
may we hallow life's brief span.

- 4 You, Creator God, have written  
your great name on humankind;  
for our growing in your likeness,  
bring the life of Christ to mind;  
that by our response and service  
earth its destiny may find.

*Words: Fred Kaan (1929-2009)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All We thank you, Lord, that you have  
fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples. Amen.

## NOTICES

### HYMN

- 1 Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:  
Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name.
- 2 Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:
- 3 Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:
- 4 Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:
- 5 So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:

## BLESSING

Minister May the God of hope  
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit;  
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!

All 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, Kay G, Jonathan, Ron W, Kath T, June M, Jenny A, Andrew E.

**The housebound** and those in residential homes: 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:** Gertrude Pratt, Arthur Mallows, Aubrey Manderville, Lillian Harris, Maureen Norah Gannon, Molly Doreen King, Myfanvy (Van) Lee, Stanley Howard Carter, Gwen Clipstone, Richard Reynolds Willows, Rachael Eileen Lovell, Joan Ann Tomkins, Roy Sharpe, William Edward Marsh, Eileen Saunby, Pamela Byles, Molly Walton, Gisela Watkins, Dermot Sheehan, Rosamund Gardner, George Wills, Lee Johnson, Arabella Lawrence.

## NOTICES

**All Saints Jubilee quiz sheets** are on sale, price £1, from members of the Fab Committee.

**Choral Evensong** Sun 29 May, 18:00, All Saints.

**We decorate All Saints** for the Queen's Jubilee on Fri 3 Jun 14:00-16:00 and Sat 4 Jun 10:00-12:00. Please sign up on the list at the north door if you can help by decorating a window. We have a small amount of red, white and blue silk flowers, otherwise please bring your own materials. There will be a prize for the best window decoration.

## DIARY

### Mon 30 May

#### Josephine Butler

18:00 - 19:15 St Mary's Church Hall Cubs  
19:30 - 21:00 St Mary's Church Hall Scouts

### Tues 31 May

#### Visitation

8:30 - 9:00 Zoom Morning Prayer  
9:30 - 12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop  
11:00 - 11:45 All Saints Funeral, RIP Fred Raitt

### Wed 1 June

#### Justin

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  
17:30 - 18:00 Zoom Evening Prayer

### Thurs 2 June

8:30 - 9:00 Zoom Morning Prayer  
10:00 - 10:30 All Saints Eucharist  
18:15 - 19:30 All Hallows Hall Beavers

### Fri 3 June

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 4 June

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

### Sun 5 June

#### Pentecost

9:15 - 10:30 All Saints Service for the Queen's Jubilee  
11:15 - 12:30 All Hallows Service for the Queen's Jubilee  
19:30 - 21:30 Dale End, Croyland Rd Explorers

### All Saints and All Hallows, Wellingborough

phone: 01933 278484  
email: officeallsaints@btinternet.com  
officeallhallows@btinternet.com  
website: allhallowsandallsaintswellingborough.co.uk

*Copyright acknowledgement (where not already indicated above):  
setting © David Ogden: Mass of New Wine  
© 1985 Anglican Church of Canada: The Book of Alternative Services  
© 1988 Continuum (Mowbray) (Adapted)  
© 1989 National Council of the Churches of Christ, USA  
© The Archbishops' Council 2000, 2004*