



Holy Communion

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

4 September 2022

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

*We encourage you to use the **hand sanitiser stations** when you arrive, before and after communion, and when you leave.*

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

HYMN

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| <p>1 O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.</p> <p>2 O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.</p> <p>3 O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.</p> | <p>4 O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.</p> <p>5 O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.</p> |
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John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

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.

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 We come to God
as one from whom no secrets are hidden,
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

Silence may be kept.

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 May the God of love bring you back to himself,
forgive you your sins, and assure you of his eternal love,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Choir/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.

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 18.1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good

that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 139.1-5, 12-18

- 1 O Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You mark out my journeys and my resting place
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 For there is not a word on my tongue,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You encompass me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
so high that I cannot attain it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
marvellous are your works, my soul knows well.
- 14 My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my form, as yet unfinished;
already in your book were all my members written,
- 16 As day by day they were fashioned
when as yet there was none of them.
- 17 How deep are your counsels to me, O God!
How great is the sum of them!
- 18 If I count them, they are more in number than the sand,
and at the end, I am still in your presence.

SECOND READING Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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 Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;

pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

- 2 We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.
- 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4 I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.
- 5 When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.
- 6 Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

Richard A. M. Gillard (b. 1953)

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GOSPEL READING Luke 14.25-33

Choir/All Alleluia! [x4]

Deacon Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.
You have the words of eternal life.

Choir/All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough

to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

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 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Minister In the power of the Spirit
and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

This response may be included:

All Lord, in your mercy,
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 is kept.

PEACE

Minister 'Where two or three are gathered together in my name,'
says the Lord, 'there am I in the midst of them'.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

- 1 God is here! As we his people
meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure
what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of his Spirit
into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us
of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font and pulpit;
here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching,
here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal,
God the Spirit comes to each.
- 3 Here our children find a welcome
in the Shepherd's flock and fold,
here, as bread and wine are taken,
Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant
seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living
to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom,
in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel,
help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,

all we have to give, receive:
we, who cannot live without you,
we adore you! We believe!

Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000) Words: © 1979, Stainer & Bell Ltd

TABLE PRAYER

Minister Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

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 Living God, Father of light,
hope of nations, friend of sinners,
builder of the city that is to come:
your love is made visible in Jesus Christ,
you bring home the lost, restore the sinner
and give dignity to the despised.

In the face of Jesus Christ your light shines out,
flooding lives with goodness and truth,
gathering into one a divided and broken humanity.

With people from every race and nation,
with the Church of all the ages,
with apostles, evangelists and martyrs
we join the angels of heaven
in their unending song:

Choir/All **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

Minister We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died
he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

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

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them 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.

**Choir/All Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord, worthy is the Lord God Almighty.
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord, worthy is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come. Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.**

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [*N and*] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

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

Choir/All **Glory, glory, glory to the Lord, glory to the Lord God Almighty.
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord, glory to the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come, glory, glory, glory to the Lord.**

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All **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.**

Choir/All **Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord, Jesus is the Lord God almighty.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord, Jesus is the Lord God almighty.
Who was, and is, and is to come, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Minister Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance
that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

All Amen.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

HYMNS

- 1 Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord,
and drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
- 2 Saved by that body and that holy blood,
with souls refreshed, we render thanks to God.
- 3 Salvation's giver, Christ, the only Son,
by his dear cross and blood the victory won.
- 4 Offered was he for greatest and for least,
himself the victim, and himself the priest.
- 5 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
and take the pledges of salvation here.

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

tr. from Sancti venite, Christi corpus sumite, Bangor Antiphoner, c.690

- 1 How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss;
the Father turns his face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen One
bring many souls to glory.
- 2 Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon his shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there,

until it was accomplished;
his dying breath has brought me life —
I know that 'it is finished.'

- 3 I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer;
but this I know with all my heart,
his wounds have paid my ransom.

Stuart Townend (b. 1963)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister God of all mercy, in this eucharist
you have set aside our sins and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my love be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?
- 2 Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?

3 Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?

4 Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

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

Minister The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The people and ministers depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY S. S. Wesley: Gavotte from 12 short pieces

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 Pat Thomas whom to pray for and the reason why.

REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week: Kathleen Battson, Doreen Adams, Les Smith, Bob Loveridge, Emily Underwood, Gerald Clarke, Sid Rabbitt, Catherine Boag, Beau Mae Smith, Albert Joseph Short, Clara Shatford, Rachael Murphy, Kenneth Nelson Maudsley, Richard Cummings, Debra O' Hanlon, Paul Lovell, Stuart Miles, Miles Alexander Clarke.

NOTICES

The Benefice Magazine is now published quarterly. If you have an article for the October issue, please send it by 9 September to allsaintseditor@gmail.com.

Ride and Stride Saturday 10 September 10:00-16:00. Please, if you can, help as a sponsored rider/strider, or a steward keeping our churches open that day. We will receive half of the funds you raise. For details please ask:

All Hallows: Christine (01933 401596, allhallowspccsec@btinternet.com)

All Saints: Bob T. (bob_townson@yahoo.com)

A Magical Evening of Music Saturday 24 September 19:00, All Hallows. Tickets £10, under 16s £5, to include wine/soft drink and canapes, available from Tony Edwards (07867 554476, TonyE1960@aol.com).

If you would like to explore confirmation please speak to Rev Paula or Pat Thomas.

We are looking for new members of our serving team. Training will be provided. Please do let me know.

Reverend Paula

DIARY

Mon 5 Sept

Tues 6 Sept

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

Wed 7 Sept

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
19:00 - 20:00	All Saints	AS choir practice

Thurs 8 Sept

Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00 - 10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion

Fri 9 Sept

Magazine deadline

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

Sat 10 Sept

9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:00 - 16:00	All Hallows & All Saints	Ride & Stride - open to the public

Sun 11 Sept

Trinity 13

9:15 - 10:30	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15 - 12:30	All Hallows	Eucharist
18:00 - 19:00	All Hallows	Choral Evensong

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