

Holy Communion with Baptism

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity 25 September 2022

A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether a regular or a visitor, it is good to have you here. A special welcome to Gracie, Toby, and their families and friends as they come to be baptised into the Body of Christ.

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

Anyone who receives **communion** in their own church is welcome to receive it here. Alternatively, if you would like a **blessing**, please bring your service sheet with you to the front so that the minister knows your wishes. If you are not used to being in church it can be intimidating, but please be assured that All Hallows is an inclusive church which welcomes all.

Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)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

HYMN

- New every morning is the love our wakening and uprising prove; through sleep and darkness safely brought, restored to life and power and thought.
- New mercies, each returning day, hover around us while we pray; new perils past, new sins forgiven, new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.
- If on our daily course our mind be set to hallow all we find, new treasures still, of countless price, God will provide for sacrifice.
- The trivial round, the common task, will furnish all we need to ask,

room to deny ourselves, a road to bring us daily nearer God.

5 Only, O Lord, in thy dear love fit us for perfect rest above; and help us, this and every day, to live more nearly as we pray.

John Keble (1792-1866)

GREETING

Minister The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All And also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

INTRODUCTION

Minister Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us

that to enter the kingdom of heaven

we must be born again of water and the Spirit,

and has given us baptism

as the sign and seal of this new birth.

Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit, and made clean.

Here we are clothed with Christ,

dying to sin that we may live his risen life.

As children of God, we have a new dignity,

and God calls us to fullness of life.

COLLECT

Minister Heavenly Father,

by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.

Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,

that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,

and grow into the full stature of your Son Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All Amen.

READING 1 Timothy 6.6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time – he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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 God is Love: let heav'n adore him;
God is Love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breathes through all creation,
he is Love. eternal Love.

- 2 God is Love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth every child of every race. And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.
- God is Love: and though with blindness sin afflicts the souls of all,
 God's eternal loving-kindness holds and guides us when we fall.
 Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;
 God is Love, so Love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

Timothy Rees (1874-1939)

GOSPEL READING Luke 16.19-31

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.

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved money:

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

'The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames."

'But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been

fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us."

'The man who had been rich said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." Abraham said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.""

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION ON BAPTISM

Silence may be kept.

PRESENTATION OF THE BAPTISM CANDIDATES

Moving to the font, the minister invites the baptism candidates, parents and godparents to join them. The congregation turn to face the font.

The minister asks the parents and godparents:

God knows each of us by name and we are his.

Parents and godparents, you speak for *Gracie and Toby* today. Will you pray for them, and help them to follow Christ?

Parents and godparents reply:

We will.

Minister Will you support them on their journey of faith? We will.

THE DECISION

Minister We all wander far from God and lose our way.

Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.

In baptism we respond to his call.

Therefore I ask you: Do you turn away from sin?

Parents and godparents reply:

I do.

Minister Do you reject evil?

I do.

Minister Do you turn to Christ as saviour?

I do.

Minister Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

The minister makes the sign of the cross using the oil of Chrism on the forehead of each candidate, saying:

Minister [N], Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed of Christ crucified. You are his forever.

When all the candidates have received the sign of the cross, we say together:

All Stand bravely with him against all powers of evil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

Minister May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,

restore in you the image of his glory,

and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE WATER

The minister, candidates, parents and godparents move to the font, the congregation turns towards the font:

Minister We praise you, loving Father,

for the gift of the your Son Jesus. He was baptised in the River Jordan, where your Spirit came upon him and revealed him as the Son you love.

He sent his followers to baptise all who turn to him.

Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,

that those who are baptised in it

may be cleansed in the water of life,

and, filled with your Spirit,

may know that they are loved as your children,

safe in Christ for ever.

All Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Minister Let us affirm,

together with *Gracie and Toby* who are being baptised,

our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,

source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All I believe and trust in him.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Son

who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All I believe and trust in him.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit

who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

All I believe and trust in him.

Minister This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God: Father. Son and Holy Spirit.

BAPTISM

The minister pours water on each candidate, saying:

Minister [N], I baptise you in the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

After each candidate is baptised the congregation respond:

All Amen.

Minister Gracie and Toby,

today God has touched you with his love and given you a place among his people.

God promises to be with you

in joy and in sorrow, to be your guide in life,

and to bring you safely to heaven.

In baptism God invites you on a life-long journey.

Together with all God's people you must explore the way of Jesus and grow in friendship with God,

in love for his people, and in serving others. With us you will listen to the word of God and receive the gifts of God.

WELCOME AND PEACE

Minister There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

By one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

Minister We are all one in Christ Jesus.

We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you, and also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

ΑII

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us, you are one with us, Mary's Son; cleansing our souls from all their sin, pouring your love and goodness in; Jesus, our love for you we sing, living Lord.
- Lord Jesus Christ,
 now and every day,
 teach us how to pray,
 Son of God.
 You have commanded us to do
 this in remembrance, Lord, of you:
 into our lives your power breaks through,
 living Lord.
- 3 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us, born as one of us,

Mary's Son.

Led out to die on Calvary, risen from death to set us free, living Lord Jesus, help us see,

you are Lord.

4 Lord Jesus Christ,

I would come to you, live my life for you,

Son of God.

All your commands I know are true, your many gifts will make me new, into my life your power breaks through, living Lord.

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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.

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 Blessed are you, Lord God,

our light and our salvation;

to you be glory and praise for ever.

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:

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 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.

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.

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.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

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.

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.

ANTHEM Gabriel Faure: Cantique de Jean Racine

HYMN

- Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
 whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
 be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
 your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,

be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Eternal God, our beginning and our end,

preserve in your people the new life of baptism;

as Christ receives us on earth,

so may he guide us through the trials of this world,

and enfold us in the joy of heaven,

where you live and reign, one God for ever and ever.

All Amen.

All Faithful God, in baptism you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ

and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom:

we thank you that in this Eucharist

you renew your promises within us;

empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve,

and send us out as disciples of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

HYMN

- O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;'tis music in the sinner's ears,'tis life and health and peace.
- 3 He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free: his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
- 4 He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive.

the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

- Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!
- 6 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

BLESSING

Minister God, who in his Christ gives us

a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

The minister gives each of the baptised a candle lit from the Paschal (Easter) candle, saying:

Minister God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness

and has given us a place with the saints in light.

Gracie and Toby, you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

All Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in the light and peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

The people and ministers depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach: Fugue in G minor

After the service please do stay for tea/coffee and cake, you are very welcome.

There is no collection take during the service but if you would like to contribute to the work of this church, please do leave cash donations on the plate by the door or make a contactless donation using the payment machine by the door.

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.

NOTICES

We celebrate Harvest on Sunday 9 October. You are invited to bring to church a donation to the Daylight Centre: a tin with a coin taped to it.

If you would like to be confirmed on 30 October, please speak to Rev Paula or Pat Thomas.

DIARY

Mon 26 Sept

Tues 27 Sept 8:30-9:00 9:30-12:00	Vincent de Paul Zoom All Hallows' Hall	Morning Prayer coffee shop
Wed 28 Sept 9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30-12:30 12:15-13:00 19:00-20:00	All Hallows All Hallows All Saints	open to the public Midweek Eucharist AS choir practice
Thurs 29 Sept	Michael and all angels	
8:30-9:00 10:00-10:30 19:00-20:00	Zoom All Saints All Saints	Morning Prayer Holy Communion AS PCC meeting
Fri 30 Sept		
9:30-12:00 19:00-20:30	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows	coffee shop AH choir practice
Sat 1 Oct		
9:30-12:00 9:30-10:30 10:30-12:30	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Hallows	coffee shop MU Holy Communion open to the public
Sun 2 Oct 8:00-8:30 9:15-10:30 11:15-12:30 18:00-19:00	Trinity 16 All Saints All Saints All Hallows Zoom	Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Compline

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