



## Holy Communion

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity / Harvest  
9 October 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.*

*Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)*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

*Please place your harvest gifts in the boxes at the back of church before the service begins.*

### HYMN

- 1        Come, ye thankful people, come,  
          raise the song of harvest-home:  
          all be safely gathered in,  
          ere the winter storms begin;  
          God, our Maker, doth provide  
          for our wants to be supplied;  
          come to God's own temple, come;  
          raise the song of harvest-home!
- 2        All the world is God's own field,  
          fruit unto his praise to yield;  
          wheat and tares together sown,  
          unto joy or sorrow grown;  
          first the blade and then the ear,  
          then the full corn shall appear:  
          grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
          wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3        For the Lord our God shall come,  
          and shall take his harvest home;  
          from his field shall purge away  
          all that doth offend, that day;

give his angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in his garner evermore.

4 Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home;  
all be safely gathered in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there for ever purified  
in God's garner to abide:  
come, ten thousand angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home!

*Henry Alford (1810–1871)*

## **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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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

                  Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

                  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;  
                  you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

                  Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

                  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.

                  Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

## COLLECT

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

*The Collect is said.*

Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land,  
the riches of the sea  
and the rhythm of the seasons;  
as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect  
this planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All**      **Amen.**

### **FIRST READING** Deuteronomy 26.1-11

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.'

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.'

You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All**      **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may be kept.*

## **PSALM 100**

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;  
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God;  
it is he that has made us and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and bless his name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,  
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

## **SECOND READING** Philippians 4.4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*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, whose farm is all creation,  
take the gratitude we give;  
take the finest of our harvest,  
crops we grow that we may live.
- 2 Take our ploughing, seeding, reaping,  
hopes and fears of sun and rain,  
all our thinking, planning, waiting,  
ripened in this fruit and grain.

3 All our labour, all our watching,  
all our calendar of care  
in these crops of your creation,  
take, O God: they are our prayer.

*Leslie Thomas John Arlott (1914–1991)*

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## **GOSPEL READING** John 6.25-35

**Choir/All Alleluia!** [x4]

Cantor Lift up your eyes,  
and see the fields are ripe for harvesting.  
Gather the fruit to eternal life.

**Choir/All Alleluia!** [x4]

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

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

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

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:*

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 fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.  
If we live in the Spirit,  
let us walk in the Spirit.

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

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

## HYMN

- 1 To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise  
in hymns of adoration,  
to thee bring sacrifice of praise  
with shouts of exultation:  
bright robes of gold the fields adorn,  
the hills with joy are ringing,  
the valleys stand so thick with corn  
that even they are singing.
- 2 And now, on this our festal day,  
thy bounteous hand confessing,  
upon thine altar, Lord, we lay  
the first-fruits of thy blessing:  
by thee the hungry soul is fed  
with gifts of grace supernal;  
thou who dost give us earthly bread,  
give us the bread eternal.
- 3 We bear the burden of the day,  
and often toil seems dreary;  
but labour ends with sunset ray,  
and rest comes for the weary:  
may we, the angel-reaping o'er,  
stand at the last accepted,  
Christ's golden sheaves for evermore  
to garner bright elected.
- 4 O blessèd is that land of God,  
where saints abide for ever;  
where golden fields spread far and broad,  
where flows the crystal river:  
the strains of all its holy throng  
with ours today are blending;  
thrice blessèd is that harvest-song  
which never hath an ending.

*William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898)*

## TABLE PRAYER

Minister Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.



All All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.

## **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.

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 Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Minister 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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Choir/All Christ has died; Christ is 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.

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.**

*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**    **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

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

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

*Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.*

## ANTHEM Joseph Barnaby: O Lord, how manifold

O Lord, how manifold are thy works.  
In wisdom thou hast made them.  
The earth is full of thy riches.  
The valleys stand so thick with corn  
that they laugh and sing.  
O Lord, how manifold are thy works.  
In wisdom thou hast made them all.  
The earth is full of thy riches.  
Praise the Lord, O my soul,  
And forget not all his benefits.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord.

## HYMN

- 1 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,  
for thy flesh is meat indeed;  
ever may our souls be fed  
with this true and living bread;  
day by day with strength supplied  
through the life of him who died.
- 2 Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies  
this blest cup of sacrifice;  
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,  
to thy cross we look and live:  
Jesus, may we ever be  
grafted, rooted, built in thee.

*Josiah Conder (1789-1855)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister We have celebrated Harvest,  
brought our gifts,  
and remembered God's generosity.

As we go out into the world, help us, Father,  
to live our lives as people of the harvest,  
to share and give, to bless and to love,  
through Jesus, our friend and Lord.

All Amen.

## NOTICES

## HYMN

1 We plough the fields, and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by God's almighty hand:  
he sends the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes, and the sunshine,  
and soft, refreshing rain.

Chorus *All good gifts around us  
are sent from heaven above;  
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,  
for all his love.*

2 He only is the maker  
of all things near and far;  
he paints the wayside flower,  
he lights the evening star;  
the winds and waves obey him,  
by him the birds are fed;  
much more to us, his children,  
he gives our daily bread.

3 We thank thee then, O Father,  
for all things bright and good,  
the seed-time and the harvest,  
our life, our health, our food.  
Accept the gifts we offer  
for all thy love imparts,  
and, what thou most desirest,  
our humble, thankful hearts.

*Wir pflügen und wir streuen - Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)  
tr. by Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)*

## **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** improvisation on *Wir pflügen*

## 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: Edward Albert Loveday, Alfred John Lee, Wilf Foster, Dennis Briggs, John Bailey, Pearl Aufrère Tabernacle, Baby Lauren and Baby Jack Bentley, Gordon Pentlow, Nora Richardson, Lawrence Hardwick, Hilda Burton, Iris Pigeon, Fred Holloway, Joan Stanbridge.

## NOTICES

**Songs of Praise** Sunday 9 October, 18:00, All Saints. A relaxed evening with cider, soft drinks and nibbles.

**Tea @2** Tuesday 11 October, 14:00, St Andrew's Hall (Berrymore Rd).

**All Souls Service** Wednesday 5 November 19:30, All Hallows. The names of the departed will be read during the service. Please add the names of those you wish to be remembered to the list at the back of both churches. Use capital letters for legibility.

**Concert with the Wellingborough Community Gospel Choir** Saturday 19 November, 19:30, All Hallows. Tickets £10, under 16 £5, to include refreshments, available from Tony Edwards (07867 554476 / 01933 276433 / TonyE1960@aol.com).

**Ride and Stride All Hallows** The magnificent sum of £968.00 has been raised this year. A big thank you to participants, supporters and sponsors for their marvellous response.

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## DIARY

<b>Mon 10 Oct</b>	<b>Paulinus</b>	
<b>Tues 11 Oct</b>	<b>Francis of Assisi</b>	
8:30-9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
14:00-15:00	St Andrew's Hall	Tea @2
<b>Wed 12 Oct</b>	<b>Wilford of Ripon</b>	
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
<b>Thurs 13 Oct</b>	<b>Edward the Confessor</b>	
8:30-9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00-10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion
19:00-20:00	All Hallows	Handbell practice
<b>Fri 14 Oct</b>		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
19:00-20:30	All Hallows	AH choir practice
<b>Sat 15 Oct</b>	<b>Teresa of Avila</b>	
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
<b>Sun 9 Oct</b>	<b>Trinity 18</b>	
9:15-10:30	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15-12:30	All Hallows	Eucharist
18:00-19:00	Zoom	Compline

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