

Holy Communion All Hallows Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter 7 May 2023

A service in celebration of the Coronation of King Charles III

A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether a regular or a visitor, it is good to have you here. We come together today to give thanks to God for the Coronation of King Charles III and many of the words in the service reflect this momentous occasion as well as the principles of faith and service which underpin this historic occasion.

We ask that you do **not publish photographs** you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, 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

- 1 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the Head and corner-stone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one, Holy Sion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.
- All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody, God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.
- To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain, what they gain from thee for ever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Doxology Laud and honour to the Father,

laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever Three, and ever One, consubstantial, co-eternal, while unending ages run.

Urbs beata Jerusalem (Latin, before 9th century) tr. John Mason Neale (1818–1866)

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!

Minister We gather this day to worship almighty God,

and to pray for our King, that, both now and always,

God may grant him wisdom and grace for his ministry among us.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon The Spirit of the Lord fills the world

and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Minister Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister You are loving to all

and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister Your faithful servants bless your name

and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

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 lesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA

All/choir 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 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:

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, and all who are in authority under him;

that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 7.55-60

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness

into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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HYMN

- Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
 Now is the triumph of our King.
 To all the world glad news we bring:
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- The Lord of Life is risen for ay: bring flowers of song to strew his way; let all the earth rejoice and say:
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory that Love, that Life, which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high:
- 4 Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing to-day with one accord the life laid down, the life restored:

Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955, Words: © Hymns Ancient & Modern Ltd

GOSPEL READING John 14.1-14

All/choir Alleluia! [x3]

Cantor Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All/choir Alleluia! [x3]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?'

Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.'

Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

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

This response may be included:

Faithful God,

All Fill them with your hope and joy.

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 God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon Let us share with one another a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

 Lord of lords and King eternal, down the years in wondrous ways you have blessed our land and guided, leading us through darkest days. For your rich and faithful mercies, Lord, accept our thankful praise.

- Speak to us and every nation, bid our jarring discords cease; to the starving and the homeless bid us bring a full release; and on all this earth's sore turmoil breathe the healing of your peace.
- 3 Love that binds us all together be upon the church outpoured; shame our pride and quell our factions, smite them with your Spirit's sword; till the world, our love beholding, claims your power and calls you Lord.
- 4 Saviour, by your mighty Passion once you turned sheer loss to gain, wresting in your risen glory victory from your cross and pain; now O Saviour, dead and risen, in us triumph, live, and reign.

Jack Copley Winslow (1882–1974) Words: © By permission of Mrs J. Tyrrell

TARI F PRAYFR

Minister Heavenly Father,

as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,

bless also the gift of our hearts and minds

as we offer our lives in your service;

for Jesus Christ's sake.

All Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Minister The Lord is here.

All His spirit is with us.

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, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

All/choir 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 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.

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.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith.

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

Minister 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 Amen.

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.

All/choir 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 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.

COMMUNION MOTET Ralph Vaughan Williams: O taste and see

HYMN

- My God, and is thy table spread,
 and doth thy cup with love o'erflow?
 Thither be all thy children led,
 and let them all thy sweetness know.
- 2 Hail, sacred feast which Jesus makes, rich banquet of his flesh and blood! Thrice happy they who here partake that sacred stream, that heavenly food.

- Why are its bounties all in vain before unwilling hearts displayed?Was not for them the Victim slain?Are they forbid the children's bread?
- 4 O let thy table honoured be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,

that the course of this world

may be so peaceably ordered by your governance,

that your Church may joyfully serve you

in all godly quietness;

through 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 Thy hand, O God, has guided thy flock, from age to age; the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page; our fathers owned thy goodness, and we their deeds record; and both of this bear witness: one Church, one faith, one Lord.
- 2 Thy heralds brought glad tidings to greatest, as to least; they bade men rise, and hasten to share the great King's feast; and this was all their teaching,

in every deed and word, to all alike proclaiming one Church, one faith, one Lord.

- When shadows thick were falling, and all seemed sunk in night, thou, Lord, didst send thy servants, thy chosen sons of light.

 On them and on thy people thy plenteous grace was poured, and this was still their message: one Church, one faith, one Lord.
- 4 Through many a day of darkness, through many a scene of strife, the faithful few fought bravely, to guard the nation's life.
 Their Gospel of redemption, sin pardoned, man restored, was all in this enfolded: one Church, one faith, one Lord.
- 5 And we, shall we be faithless?
 Shall hearts fail, heads hang down?
 Shall we evade the conflict,
 and cast away our crown?
 Not so: in God's deep counsels
 some better thing is stored;
 we will maintain, unflinching,
 one Church, one faith, one Lord.
- 6 Thy mercy will not fail us, nor leave thy work undone; with thy right hand to help us, the victory shall be won; and then, by men and angels, thy name shall be adored, and this shall be their anthem: one Church, one faith, one Lord.

Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821–1891)

BLESSING

Minister God grant to the living grace,

to the departed rest,

to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people

unity, peace and concord,

and to us and all God's servants life everlasting;

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 NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King. Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us: God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.

The people and ministers depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Sir Edward Elgar: Imperial March

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Richard H, Kay G, Jonathan, Kath T, June M, Jenny A, Hilly S, Diana B, Peter S, Colin M, baby Dolly-Mae.

The housebound and those in residential homes: Shirley C.

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: Peter Jenkin, John Dicks, Bernard Campbell, Kerry Woods, Mary Roberts, Geoffrey Ashpole, Doreen Meiklejohn, Malcolm Sherwood, Arthur Payne, Joseph Frederick Raitt, Bill Conlon, Edna Percival, Roger Wilson, Ian Cundy, Henry Bertram Griffin, Ida Clark, Beryl Binstead, Freda Sanders, Fred Hodson, Arthur Victor Payne, Mary McAlpine McLeish Cokes, Walter Green.

NOTICES

The Coronation Big Lunch (bring & share) today at 13:00 outside All Hallows, then Civic Evensong at 18:00 at All Saints.

Music for a Summer's Evening with Anna Burgon and friends Saturday 3 June 19:00, All Hallows. Tickets £10 from either Tony Edwards or Margaret Burgon (includes refreshments). Music for every taste. Don't miss what will be a fantastic evening.

DIARY

Mon 8 May

18:00-19:00

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9:00-9:30 9:30-12:00 14:00-15:00 19:30-20:30	Zoom All Hallows' Hall St Andrew's Hall Vicarage	Morning Prayer coffee shop Tea @2 Little Acorns Meeting
Wed 10 May		
9:30-12:00 10:30-12:30 12:15-13:00 19:00-20:00	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Hallows	coffee shop open to the public Midweek Eucharist Ministry Team Meeting
Thurs 11 May		
9:00-9:30 10:00-10:30	Zoom All Saints	Morning Prayer Holy Communion
Fri 12 May		
9:30-12:00 18:15-19:15 19:30-20:30	All Hallows' Hall All Saints All Hallows	coffee shop AS choir practice AH choir practice
Sat 13 May		
9:30-12:00 10:30-12:30	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows	coffee shop open to the public
Sun 14 May	6th Sunday of Easter	
10:00-11:00	All Hallows	Eucharist

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