

Holy Communion All Saints' Church

Pentecost 28 May 2023

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

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

- Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
- O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
- 3 Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, and lowliness become mine inner clothing: true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part, and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.
- And so the yearning strong,
 with which the soul will long,
 shall far outpass the power of human telling;
 for none can guess its grace,
 till he become the place
 wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Discendi, amor santo; Bianco da Siena (d. 1434), translated by Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–1890)

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.

CONFESSION

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 We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love:

fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith:

fill us with your Spirit. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust:

fill us with your Spirit. 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA

All/choir 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.

COLLECT

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

The Collect is said:

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FIRST READING

One of the younger members of our congregation will take our reading from The Biggest Story Bible.

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 Corinthians 12.3b-13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body Jews or Greeks, slaves or free and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
- 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure; until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.
- 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine; until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
- 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God: so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

GOSPEL READING John 20.19-23

All/choir Alleluia! [x8]

Cantor I am the first and the last, says the Lord;

I was dead and behold, I am alive for evermore.

All/choir Alleluia! [x8]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION ON PENTECOST

CRFFD

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.

cf Ephesians 3

PRAYERS

PEACE

Minister The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.

If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.

cf Galatians 5.22,23

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

Refrain Bind us together, Lord, bind us together

With cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,

Bind us together with love.

1 There is only one God,

There is only one King; There is only one Body,

That is why we sing:

2 Fit for the glory of God,

Purchased by his precious Blood;

Born with the right to be free,

Jesus the vict'ry has won.

We are the fam'ly of God,

We are his promise divine;

We are his chosen desire,

We are the glorious new wine.

Bob Gillman (b. 1946) © 1977 Thankyou Music

TABLE PRAYER

Minister Be present, be present,

Lord Jesus Christ, our risen high priest;

make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

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,

it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and singing:

All/choir 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 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

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

for ever and ever. Amen.

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 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, Prince of Peace, 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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

- Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire; thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:
- 2 Thy blessèd unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love; enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight:
- Anoint and cheer our soilèd face with the abundance of thy grace: keep far our foes, give peace at home; where thou art guide no ill can come.
- 4 Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One; that through the ages all along this may be our endless song,
- 5 Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

John Cosin (1594–1672) based on Veni, Creator Spiritus, (Latin, 8th or 9th century)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; break me, melt me, mould me, fill me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Daniel Iverson (1890–1977)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Faithful God,

who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit

and opening to every race and nation

the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit,

that every tongue may tell of your glory;

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

 The Spirit lives to set us free, walk, walk in the light; he binds us all in unity, walk, walk in the light.

Chorus Walk in the light, walk in the light, walk in the light,

walk in the light of the Lord.

2 Jesus promised life to all, walk, walk in the light;

the dead were wakened by his call,

walk, walk in the light.

3 He died in pain on Calvary, walk, walk in the light;

to save the lost like you and me,

walk, walk in the light.

4 We know his death was not the end,

walk, walk in the light;

he gave his Spirit to be our friend,

walk, walk in the light.

- 5 By Jesus' love our wounds are healed, walk, walk in the light; the Father's kindness is revealed, walk, walk in the light.
- The Spirit lives in you and me, walk, walk in the light; his light will shine for all to see, walk, walk in the light.

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BLESSING

Minister The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,

give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God;

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Oliphant Chuckerbutty: Paean

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, Ann A, Doreen J, Graham M.

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: David Horlick, 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, Lyn Sadler, Roy Eldridge, Eileen Saunby, Pamela Byles, Molly Walton, Gisela Watkins, Dermot Sheehan, Rosamund Gardner.

NOTICES

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.

Benefice Prayer Group meets first on Sat 3 June, then on the first Saturday of every month, at 10:15 in All Hallows. This is a joint group of All Saints & All Hallows, and everyone is invited.

Little Acorns - new preschool group starts on Monday 5 June, then meets every Monday 9:30-11:30 in All Hallows' Hall. This is also a joint benefice group.

Be a Chorister for a Day Saturday 24 June 10:30-15:00, All Hallows. A day for any youngsters aged 7 years upwards to come and learn some fun music with Tom Moore (St Matthews, Northampton & Wakefield Cathedral). More details from Tony. All parents are welcome to come along and see what is on offer.

PRAY FOR A NEW DIOCESAN BISHOP

The process for appointing our next Diocesan Bishop continues. Please pray for those involved in this process, and for the person whom God is calling to be our new Bishop.

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His Body in this place; send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our communities; guide us with your heavenly wisdom as we seek to find our new Bishop, that the one who we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

DIARY

Mon 29 May	Bank holiday	
Tues 30 May 9:00-9:30	Josephine Butler Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
Wed 31 May	Visitation	
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
Thurs 1 June	Justin	
9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00-10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion
Fri 2 June		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
18:15-19:15	All Saints	AS choir practice
19:30-20:30	All Hallows	AH choir practice
Sat 3 June		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
9:30-10:15	All Hallows' Hall	MU Corporate Communion
10:15-10:45 10:30-12:30	All Hallows All Hallows	Benefice Prayer Group open to the public
19:00-21:00	All Hallows	Music for a Summer Evening
Sun 4 June	Trinity Sunday	Wasie for a sammer Evening
8:00-8:30	All Saints	Eucharist
9:15-10:15	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15-12:15	All Hallows	Eucharist
18:00-18:30	Zoom	Compline

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