

Holy Communion All Hallows Church

Third Sunday after Trinity 25 June 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, ye faithful, raise the anthem, cleave the skies with shouts of praise; sing to him who found the ransom, Ancient of eternal Days, God of God, the Word incarnate, whom the heaven of heaven obeys.
- 2 Ere he raised the lofty mountains, formed the seas, or built the sky, love eternal, free, and boundless, moved the Lord of life to die, fore-ordained the Prince of princes for the throne of Calvary.
- 3 There, for us and our redemption, see him all his life-blood pour! There he wins our full salvation, dies that we may die no more; then, arising, lives for ever, reigning where he was before.
- 4 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.

Job Hupton (1762–1849) and 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.

Words of welcome may be said.

#### CONFESSION

Deacon God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

cf Ephesians 4.30,32

All O King enthroned on high, filling the earth with your glory: holy is your name, Lord God almighty. In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away, and to cleanse our lips to speak your word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

cf Isaiah 6

#### 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 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 in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

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 in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

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 in the highest and peace to his people on earth. Amen.

## 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 our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ

All Amen.

## FIRST READING Genesis 21.8-21

Isaac grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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 Romans 6.1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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	Take up thy cross, the Saviour said, if thou wouldst my disciple be; deny thyself, the world forsake, and humbly follow after me.
2	Take up thy cross: let not its weight fill thy weak spirit with alarm; his strength shall bear thy spirit up, and brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.
3	Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, nor let thy foolish pride rebel: thy Lord for thee the cross endured, to save thy soul from death and hell.
4	Take up thy cross then in his strength, and calmly every danger brave; 'twill guide thee to a better home, and lead to victory o'er the grave.
5	Take up thy cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only they who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.
6	To thee, great Lord, the One in Three, all praise for evermore ascend:

Charles William Everest (1814–1877)

#### GOSPEL READING Matthew 10.24-39

O grant us in our home to see the heavenly life that knows no end.

#### All/choir Alleluia!

Cantor 'I am the way, the truth, and the life,' says the Lord; 'no one comes to the Father except through me.'

#### All/choir Alleluia!

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

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

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the

disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword:

For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

'Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find 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:

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 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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

#### All And also with you.

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

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

ANTHEM S. S. Wesley: Blessed be the God and Father

### TABLE PRAYER

Minister Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine.

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 truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy. for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade.

> This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song 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 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.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

#### **HYMNS**

- 1 Now let us from this table rise renewed in body, mind and soul; with Christ we die and rise again, his selfless love has made us whole.
- 2 With minds alert, upheld by grace, to spread the word in speech and deed, we follow in the steps of Christ, at one with all in hope and need.
- 3 To fill each human house with love, it is the sacrament of care; the work that Christ began to do we humbly pledge ourselves to share.
- 4 Then grant us grace, Companion-God, to choose again the pilgrim way

and help us to accept with joy the challenge of tomorrow's day.

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- 1 Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart; Saviour, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.
- 2 There sup with us in love divine, thy body and thy blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

James Montgomery (1771–1854)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

#### All Father of all,

we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. 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?

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?

3

- 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.

# 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 Louis Lefebure-Wely: Marche in F major

# 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, Ann A, Doreen J, Graham M, Graham E, Mary R.

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: Joanne Spencer, Olive May Perry, Mabel Haddon Fitch, Betsy Oram, Winifred Grace Danns, Rodney Eyles, Peter Buchner, Albert Attewell, Anne Lopez, Bert Sanders, Ivy Edmonds, Gwen Charlton, Roland Henson, Bill White, Zita Goddard, Betty Payne, Joanne Spencer, Robert Bell.

Those who died recently, among them Bob Colley. We pray for those who mourn.

# NOTICES

No 8am service on Sunday 2 July.

**Deanery Evensong** Sunday 9 July 18:00, St Leonard's Church Hardwick, with our NEW Rural Dean Jenny.

Hymns and Pimms 30 July 18:00, All Saints.

**Wellingborough Community Gospel Choir** 12 August 19:00, All Hallows. Tickets £10 per adult, under 16s £5, from Tony.

# PRAY FOR A NEW DIOCESAN BISHOP

The process for appointing our next Diocesan Bishop continues. Please pray for those involved in this, 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 26 June		
9:30-11:30	All Hallows' Hall	Little Acorns
Tues 27 June		
9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
Wed 28 June	Ireneaus	
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 29 June	Peter & Paul	
9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00-10:30	All Saints	BCP Holy Communion
Fri 30 June		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
19:30-21:00	All Saints	joint choir practice
Sat 1 July		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
9:30-10:15	All Hallows	MU Corporate Communion
10:15-10:45	All Hallows	Benefice Prayer Group
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
Sun 2 July	Trinity 4	
NO 8am SERVICE		
9:15-10:15	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15-12:15	All Hallows	Eucharist
18:00-18:30	Zoom	Compline

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