



Holy Communion

All Hallows Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

15 October 2023

A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether you are here for the first time or a more regular worshipper, we are delighted to have you with us, and we hope that you will enjoy the service.

All that you need to follow the service from beginning to end is contained in this leaflet. If you would prefer a large print copy, please indicate this to the person who gave you this leaflet. Please join in the responses in bold.

Refreshments are served before the service, feel free to take your drink to your pew for the start of the service.

There is no cash collection taken during the service, however, we welcome donations (large and small!) towards our mission and ever increasing maintenance costs. These can be left in the collection plate or be made using our contactless card machine, both of which can be found near the entrance of the church.

HYMN

- 1 When morning gilds the skies,
 my heart awaking cries,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
 alike at work and prayer
 to Jesus I repair;
 may Jesus Christ be praised.
- 2 Does sadness fill my mind?
 A solace here I find,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
 or fades my earthly bliss?
 My comfort still is this,
 may Jesus Christ be praised.
- 3 The night becomes as day,
 when from the heart we say,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
 the powers of darkness fear,

when this sweet chant they hear,
may Jesus Christ be praised.

4 Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
be this the eternal song
through ages all along,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Beim frühen Morgenlicht (German, 19th century or earlier) tr. by Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

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 God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

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 Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus 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, 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.

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

READING Philippians 4.1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

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 Like a mighty river flowing,
like a flower in beauty growing,
far beyond all human knowing
is the perfect peace of God.
- 2 Like the hills serene and even,
like the coursing clouds of heaven,

like the heart that's been forgiven
is the perfect peace of God.

3 Like the summer breezes playing,
like the tall trees softly swaying,
like the lips of silent praying
is the perfect peace of God.

4 Like the morning sun ascended,
like the scents of evening blended,
like a friendship never ended
is the perfect peace of God.

5 Like the azure ocean swelling,
like the jewel all-excelling,
far beyond our human telling
is the perfect peace of God.

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GOSPEL READING Matthew 22.1-14

All/choir Alleluia!

Cantor Welcome with meekness the implanted word
that has the power to save your souls.

All/choir Alleluia!

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 God has called us to live in peace.

cf 1 Corinthians 7.17

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

HYMN

- 1 Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare.
- 2 They stand, those halls of Sion,
conjubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr throng;
the Prince is ever with them,
the daylight is serene,
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.
- 3 There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
and they, who with their leader
have conquered in the fight,
for ever and for ever
are clad in robes of white.
- 4 O sweet and blessèd country,
the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country
that eager hearts expect!

Jesu, in mercy bring us
to that dear land of rest;
who art, with God the Father
and Spirit, ever blest.

Urbs Sion aurea, Bernard of Cluny (12th century) translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

TABLE PRAYER

Minister Blessed be God
who feeds the hungry,
who raises the poor,
who fills our praise.

All **Blessed be God forever.**

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

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.

COMMUNION MOTET Malcom Archer. My Song is love unknown

My song is Love unknown, my Saviour's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be,
O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
He came from his blest throne, salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none the longed for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend, my Friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!
Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
Here might I stay and sing: no story so divine;
Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days would gladly
spend.

HYMN

- 1 'Come to me', says Jesus,
'all who are distressed;
take my yoke upon you,
I will give you rest.
- 2 I am meek and humble,
find, with me, release
from false airs and graces;
come, and be at peace.'
- 3 Hear the call of Jesus,
come, be deeply blessed;
his the invitation,
you the honoured guest.
- 4 Here, where bread is broken,
here, where wine is poured,
thankfully receive him,
find your faith restored.
- 5 Pardon, feed and heal us,
humble, courteous Lord,
gracious host, for ever
honoured and adored.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of 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 Rejoice! The Lord is King,
your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:

Chorus *Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

2 Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:

3 His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:

4 He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:

5 Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus the judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home:

Chorus *We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!*

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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 Anthony Foster: Jubilate Deo

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Richard Hole, Kay G, Jonathan, Kath Thomas, June Morby, Jenny Attewell, Hilly S, Diana Brown, Colin Mason, Graham Earl, Mary Ricketts, Peter Gandy.

The housebound and those in residential homes: Shirley Cockerill, Susan Poolman.

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 please email Pat Thomas (pat_hotmail.co.uk) with the name of the person to pray for and the reason why.

REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week: Lillian Carnelly, Christine Green, Annie Soames, Elizabeth Lousie Hoare, Rodney Stuart Renton Addie, Leslie Walding, Colin Hooton, Hilda Burton, Iris Pigeon, Fred Holloway, Joan Stanbridge, Gertrude Poole, Joyce Reynolds, Pam Walkington, Richard Temple, Caroline Prigmore, Bob Watson, Pam Cave, Maude Lymn, Bill Hudson.

NOTICES

Many thanks to the generous people who sponsored me in the recent " Ride and Stride". I raised £100, and, amazingly , all contributions were completely unsolicited.

Lynne Burton

Wellingborough Street Pastors' Prayer Walk this afternoon (15 October) starting from All Hallows Church at 13:45. Please support them either by your presence or by your prayer.

Exploring Prayer: Taizé Saturday 21 October 10:00, All Hallows' Hall.

Piano recital by Tony Edwards Saturday 21 October 16:00 All Hallows. Tea and cake afterwards. Tickets £10, from Tony, for All Hallows' Organ Fund.

Angel Drive (based on a beetle drive) 28 October 19:00, All Hallows Hall. Fun for all the family. Ploughman's Supper. Please see the flier in your service sheet, and if interested, put your names on the sheet in church to help with catering.

29 October is the fifth Sunday in the month, thus we will have a joint Benefice Eucharist at 10:00, this time at All Hallows. Apart from Compline (on Zoom) at 18:00, there will be no other services that day in the benefice.

All Saints' Sunday 5 November services:

8:00 *Communion*, All Saints.

10:00 *Patronal Festival Eucharist*, All Saints - a joint benefice service, followed by refreshments.

18:00 *All Souls Service*, 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 on the nave desk. Use capital letters for legibility.

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DIARY

Mon 16 Oct

9:15-11:00 All Hallows' Hall Little Acorns pre-school group

Tues 17 Oct Ignatius of Antioch

9:00-9:30 Zoom Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop
13:20-15:00 All Saints school rehearsal

Wed 18 Oct Luke the Evangelist

9:30-11:00 All Saints All Saints School Harvest service
9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop
10:30-12:30 All Hallows open to the public
12:15-12:45 All Hallows Midweek Eucharist

Thurs 19 Oct Henry Martin

9:00-9:30 Zoom Morning Prayer
10:00-10:30 All Saints BCP Holy Communion

Fri 20 Oct

9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop
18:15-19:45 All Saints junior choir practice
19:30-21:00 All Saints adult choir practice

Sat 21 Oct

9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop
10:00-11:00 All Hallows' Hall Exploring Prayer: Taize
10:30-12:30 All Hallows open to the public
16:00-18:00 All Hallows piano recital

Sun 22 Oct Trinity 20

9:15-10:15 All Saints Family Eucharist
11:15-12:15 All Hallows Eucharist
18:00-18:30 Zoom Compline

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