

# **Holy Communion**

# All Saints' 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.

During the service our children and young people are invited to join Y.E.S. (Young Eager Saints) which meets in the Lady Chapel towards the front of the church. They meet at the children's area before 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.

After the service refreshments are served at the back of church, please do join us.

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 at the back of the church.

#### HYMN

- 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.
- 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.
- 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)

#### GRFFTING

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 in the highest, peace to his people on earth. [x2]

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, peace to his people on earth. [x2]

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, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive, receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth. [x2]

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. Amen. [x2]

#### 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**

- The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
   I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine for ever.
- Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth,

and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.

- Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877) based on Psalm 23

# **GOSPEL READING** Matthew 22.1-14

#### All/choir Alleluia!

Cantor 'My sheep hear my voice,' says the Lord,

'I know them, and they follow me.'

#### 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**

- 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 (12h 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.

# **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, 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.

#### 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 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 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.

# **HYMN**

1 Faithful Shepherd, feed me In the pastures green; Faithful Shepherd, lead me Where thy steps are seen.

Hold me fast, and guide me
 In the narrow way;
 So, with thee beside me,
 I shall never stray.

Daily bring me nearer
 To the heavenly shore;
 Make my faith grow clearer,
 May I love thee more.

- Hallow every pleasure,
   Every gift and pain;
   Be thyself my treasure,
   Though none else I gain.
- Day by day prepare me
   As thou seest best,
   Then let angels bear me
   To thy promised rest.

Thomas B Pollock (1836-1896), The New English Hymnal

# 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 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not, as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Chorus Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided, great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above,

join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

> Thomas O. Chisholm (1866–1960) Words: © 1923, renewed 1951, Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188, USA

## **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**

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#### **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: Taize 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.

Peterborough Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers produces a jigsaw puzzle showing the Diocese and the features of the area, in 500 and 1000 pieces, costing £15 and £20 respectively. If you would like to support them, you can place an order emailing centenary@pdg.org.uk.

# **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 9:30-12:00 13:20-15:00	Zoom All Hallows' Hall All Saints	Morning Prayer coffee shop school rehearsal
Wed 18 Oct	Luke the Evangelist	
9:30-11:00 9:30-12:00 10:30-12:30 12:15-12:45	All Saints All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Hallows	All Saints School Harvest service coffee shop open to the public Midweek Eucharist
Thurs 19 Oct	Henry Martin	
9:00-9:30 10:00-10:30	Zoom All Saints	Morning Prayer BCP Holy Communion
Fri 20 Oct		
9:30-12:00 18:15-19:45 19:30-21:00	All Hallows' Hall All Saints All Saints	coffee shop junior choir practice adult choir practice
Sat 21 Oct		
9:30-12:00 10:00-11:00 10:30-12:30 16:00-18:00	All Hallows' Hall All Hallows' Hall All Hallows All Hallows	coffee shop Exploring Prayer: Taize open to the public piano recital
Sun 22 Oct	Trinity 20	
9:15-10:15 11:15-12:15 18:00-18:30	All Saints All Hallows Zoom	Family Eucharist Eucharist Compline

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