



## Holy Communion

All Hallows Church

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

22 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       Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
          in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
          most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
          almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2       Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
          nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
          thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
          thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3       To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
          in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
          we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
          and wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.
- 4       Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
          thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
          all laud we would render: O help us to see  
          'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

*Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)*

## **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.*

God, our light and our salvation:  
illuminate our lives,  
that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,  
and looking on your beauty  
may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

## READING 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

From Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead – Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

*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 O thou who camest from above  
the fire celestial to impart,  
kindle a flame of sacred love  
on the mean altar of my heart!
- 2 There let it for thy glory burn  
with inextinguishable blaze,  
and trembling to its source return  
in humble prayer and fervent praise.
- 3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire  
to work, and speak, and think for thee;  
still let me guard the holy fire,  
and still stir up the gift in me.
- 4 Ready for all thy perfect will,  
my acts of faith and love repeat;

till death thy endless mercies seal,  
and make the sacrifice complete.

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

## **GOSPEL READING** Matthew 22.15-22

**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.**

When the chief priests and Pharisees had heard the parables, they realized that Jesus was speaking about them. Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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 Name of all majesty,  
fathomless mystery,  
King of the ages  
by angels adored;  
power and authority,  
splendour and dignity,  
bow to his mastery,  
Jesus is Lord!

2 Child of our destiny,  
God from eternity,

love of the Father  
on sinners outpoured;  
see now what God has done  
sending his only Son,  
Christ the beloved One,  
Jesus is Lord!

3 Saviour of Calvary,  
costliest victory,  
darkness defeated  
and Eden restored;  
born as a man to die,  
nailed to a cross on high,  
cold in the grave to lie,  
Jesus is Lord!

4 Source of all sovereignty,  
light, immortality,  
life everlasting  
and heaven assured;  
so with the ransomed, we  
praise him eternally,  
Christ in his majesty,  
Jesus is Lord!

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926) Words: © Timothy Dudley-Smith in Europe and Africa. Oxford University Press*

## 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** Felix Mendelssohn: I waited for the Lord

I waited for the Lord,  
He heard my complaint,  
I waited for the Lord,  
He inclined unto me,  
O blessed are they  
that hope and trust in the Lord.

## **HYMN**

- 1 Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;  
holy is the Lord God almighty.  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;  
holy is the Lord God almighty,  
who was, and is, and is to come.  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!
- 2 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord;  
Jesus is the Lord God almighty.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord;  
Jesus is the Lord God almighty,  
who was, and is, and is to come.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord!
- 3 Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord;  
worthy is the Lord God almighty.  
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord;  
worthy is the Lord God almighty,  
who was, and is, and is to come!  
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.
- 4 Glory, glory, glory to the Lord;  
glory to the Lord God almighty.  
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord;  
glory to the Lord God almighty,  
who was, and is, and is to come.  
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord.

*Author Unknown*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister God our Father,  
whose Son, the light unfailing,  
has come from heaven to deliver the world  
from the darkness of ignorance:

let these holy mysteries  
open the eyes of our understanding  
that we may know the way of life,  
and walk in it without stumbling;  
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 Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:

*Chorus Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name.*

2 Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:

3 Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:

4 Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!

sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:

5 So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:

*Michael Saward (b. 1932)*

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## **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** Geoffrey Bush: Toccata in B flat

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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:** John Conlon, Pat Conlon, Harry Lawrence, Arthur Piggins, Sharon Grace James, Reg Carter, Margaret Thompson, Richard Batten, Henry Kitchener, Ted Adams, Robert Worley, Thomas Harper Anderson Snr., George Edward Meeks, Frederick Martin, Lorna May Walker, Pauline Huckle, Derek Ingram Hill, Betty Hill, Audrey Veronica Partridge, Mary Gorman.

## NOTICES

**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. There will be no other services that day in the benefice.

**5 November All Saints' Sunday** 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.

**Tea @ Two on Tuesday 14 November** 14:00 will meet at Wellingborough Museum.

## DIARY

### Mon 23 Oct

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

### Tues 24 Oct

9:00-9:30 Zoom Morning Prayer  
9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop

### Wed 25 Oct **Crispin and Crispinian**

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 26 Oct **Alfred the Great**

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

### Fri 27 Oct

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

### Sat 28 Oct **Simon and Jude, Apostles**

9:30-12:00 All Hallows' Hall coffee shop  
10:00-11:00 All Hallows' Hall open to the public  
12:00-12:45 All Hallows Baptism  
19:00-20:00 All Hallows' Hall Angel Drive

### Sun 29 Oct **Bible Sunday**

10:00-11:00 All Hallows Benefice Eucharist

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