

Holy Communion All Hallows Church

Second Sunday of Epiphany 14 January 2024

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 at the back of the church.

HYMN

- 1 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; bow down before him, his glory proclaim; with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness, kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.
- 2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness: high on his heart he will bear it for thee, comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness, guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
- 3 Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine: truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness, these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
- These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness, he will accept for the name that is dear;
 mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness, trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

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John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811–1875)

GREETING

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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 The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

cf Titus 2.11-14

All God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Minister May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, that you may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, and be cleansed from all your sins 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 heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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.

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, 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.

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages, and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

READING 1 Samuel 3.1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD

called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.''' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

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 Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking, as the gospel words unfold; we, in all our agelong seeking, find no firmer truth to hold.
- 2 Word of goodness, truth, and beauty, heard by simple folk and wise, word of freedom, word of duty, word of life beyond our eyes.
- Word of God's forgiveness granted to the wild or guilty soul, word of love that works undaunted, changes, heals, and makes us whole.
- Speak to us, O Lord, believing, as we hear, the sower sows; may our hearts, your word receiving, be the good ground where it grows.

Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902–1983)

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GOSPEL READING John 1.43-51

All/choir Alleluia!

Cantor Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations, and believed in throughout the world.

All/choir Alleluia!

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.'

Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.'

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

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 Let us worship the Saviour with joy and make our prayer to our heavenly 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 Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

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.

ENROLMENT OF NEW CHORISTERS INTO THE CHOIR

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

- Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, to take away transgression, and rule in equity.
 - 2 He comes with succour speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.
 - 3 He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth, and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth: before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go; and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.
 - Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring; all nations shall adore him, his praise all people sing: to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;

his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

5 O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest; from age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blest: the tide of time shall never his covenant remove; his name shall stand for ever, his changeless name of love.

James Montgomery (1771–1854) based on Psalm 72

TABLE PRAYER

Minister Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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 All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst.

In the coming of the magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and say our joyful hymn of praise:

All/choir Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and 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. 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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All 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

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: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

- Minister Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.
- All Lord, give us this bread always.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

COMMUNION MOTET Bernadette Farrell: O God, you search me

- 1 O God, you search me and you know me. All my thoughts lie open to your gaze. When I walk or lie down you are before me: ever the maker and keeper of my days.
- You know my resting and my rising.
 You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting you besiege me: in every moment of life and death, you are.
- Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future, too.
- Although your Spirit is upon me,
 still I search for shelter from your light.
 There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
 even the darkness is radiant in your sight.
- 5 For you created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mother's womb. For the wonder of who I am, I praise you: safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957) based on Psalm 139 Words and Music: © 1992 Bernadette Farrell. Published by OCP. All rights reserved. Used with permission

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name 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 O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend: I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

- 2 O let me feel thee near me: the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.
- 3 O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;

O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end: O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

5 O let me see thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own; my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone: O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode (1816–1874)

BLESSING

Minister Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; 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 Vierne: Carillon de Westminster

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, Diana Brown, Graham Earl, Don Stevens, Marion Dent, John Burton.

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

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: Joe Webster, Dennis Byles, Ada Alice Knight, William Karl Spademan, James William Read, Ivy Grace Bellamy, Tom Ellis Clark, Fanny Anderson, Victor Olly, Rose Ethel Felstead, Herbert Satterthwaite, Sybil Swindall, Robin Dunhill, Alan Sanders, Doris Ramsay, Christian Smalley, Arthur Hurl, Hughie Clegg, Harold Bamford, Reg Hall, Margaret Rees, Becky Freeman, Elsie Partridge, Rosina White, Edna Crisp, June Conlon, Teddy Osborn, Dorothy Satterthwaite.

NOTICES

Thursday morning 10am BCP Holy Communion at All Saints has been put on hold over the winter months**. Compline** will resume on 21 January.

Epiphany Carol Service today 18:00, All Hallows.

Light Concert Saturday 27 January 15:00, All Hallows, with tea and cake. Tony Edwards piano & Mark Wetherall singing. Donations on the day for the Organ Fund.

Concert with Belcanto Female Voice Choir Saturday 10 February 19:30, All Hallows. Tickets £10, available from Tony.

Pancake Party and Beetle Drive for everyone Tuesday 13 February 19:00, All Hallows Church Hall. Tickets £5 per adult, under 16s free. Please put your names on the list in church to help with catering. Various pancakes, both savoury and sweet.

DIARY

Mon 15 Jan		
9:15-11:00	All Hallows' Hall	Little Acorns pre-school group
Tues 16 Jan		
9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
Wed 17 Jan	Antony of Egypt	
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
14:00-14:45	All Hallows	Funeral RIP Hilly Sharp
Thurs 18 Jan		
9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
Fri 19 Jan	Wulfstan	
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
18:30-19:45	All Saints	junior choir practice
19:30-21:00	All Saints	adult choir practice
Sat 20 Jan		
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
Sun 21 Jan	Epiphany 3	
9:15-10:15	All Saints	Family Eucharist
11:15-12:15	All Hallows	Eucharist
18:00-19:00	Zoom	Compline

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