



# Holy Communion

All Hallows Church

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

11 August 2024

*A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether a regular or a visitor, we are delighted to have you with us, and hope that you will enjoy the service.*

*All you need to follow the service is contained in this leaflet. If you would prefer a large print copy, please ask the person who gave you this leaflet. Please join in the responses in bold. Music for the mass setting is available for you on the table by the main door, if you use one please do hand it back at the end of the service.*

*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 at the back of the church. Alternatively you can scan the QR code on the last page.*

## HYMN

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| <p>1 Lord, as the day begins<br/>lift up our hearts in praise;<br/>take from us all our sins,<br/>guard us in all our ways:<br/>our every step direct and guide<br/>that Christ in all be glorified!</p> <p>2 Christ be in work and skill,<br/>serving each other's need;<br/>Christ be in thought and will,<br/>Christ be in word and deed:<br/>our minds be set on things above<br/>in joy and peace, in faith and love.</p> | <p>3 Grant us the Spirit's strength,<br/>teach us to walk his way;<br/>so bring us all at length<br/>safe to the close of day:<br/>from hour to hour sustain and bless,<br/>and let our song be thankfulness.</p> <p>4 Now as the day begins<br/>make it the best of days;<br/>take from us all our sins,<br/>guard us in all our ways:<br/>our every step direct and guide<br/>that Christ in all be glorified!</p> |
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*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)*

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## 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 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.'  
We long for the fire of God's cleansing  
to touch our unclean lips,  
for our guilt to be removed and our sin wiped out.

So we meet Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
with repentance in our hearts.

*cf Isaiah 6 and Revelation 4*

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.

## ABSOLUTION

Minister God, the Father of mercies,  
has reconciled the world to himself  
through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ,  
not counting our trespasses against us,

but sending his Holy Spirit  
to shed abroad his love among us.

By the ministry of reconciliation  
entrusted by Christ to his Church,  
receive his pardon and peace  
to stand before him in his strength alone,  
this day and evermore.

All Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All 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 by a member of our congregation:*

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

## **FIRST READING** 2 Samuel 18.5-9,15,31-33

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom.

So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the LORD has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING** Ephesians 4.25-5.2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **HYMN**

- 1 The God of love my shepherd is,  
and he that doth me feed;  
while he is mine and I am his,  
what can I want or need?
- 2 He leads me to the tender grass,  
where I both feed and rest;  
then to the streams that gently pass:  
in both I have the best.
- 3 Or if I stray, he doth convert,  
and bring my mind in frame,  
and all this not for my desert,  
but for his holy name.
- 4 Yea, in death's shady black abode  
well may I walk, not fear;  
for thou art with me, and thy rod  
to guide, thy staff to bear.
- 5 Surely thy sweet and wondrous love  
shall measure all my days;  
and, as it never shall remove,  
so neither shall my praise.

*George Herbert (1593–1633 based on Psalm 23)*

## **GOSPEL READING** John 6.35,41-51

**All Alleluia!**

Cantor I am the way, the truth, the life, says the Lord.  
No one comes to the Father except through me.

**All Alleluia!**

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

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

Jesus said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

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 pray to the Lord.

*A member of the congregation says the intercessions.*

*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.  
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

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| 1 Put peace into each other's hands<br>and like a treasure hold it,<br>protect it like a candle-flame,<br>with tenderness enfold it.  | 3 Put peace into each other's hands<br>like bread we break for sharing;<br>look people warmly in the eye:<br>our life is meant for caring.                        |
| 2 Put peace into each other's hands<br>with loving expectation;<br>be gentle in your words and ways,<br>in touch with God's creation. | 4 Give thanks for strong yet tender hand<br>held out in trust and blessing.<br>Where words fall short,<br>let hands speak out,<br>the heights of love expressing. |

- 5 Reach out in friendship, stay with faith  
in touch with those around you.  
Put peace into each other's hands:  
the Peace that sought and found you.

*Fred Kaan (1929–2009) Words: © 1989, 2001, Stainer & Bell Ltd, London, England*

## TABLE PRAYER

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

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

## 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**     **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 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 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 God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

*Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.*

## COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

Graham Kendrick: Here is bread, here is wine

## HYMN

- 1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in every change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.
- 3 Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then you shall better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.  
Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.
- 4 Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.

Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

*Katharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel (1697–after 1768) translated by Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813–1897)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated  
that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins  
and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **We thank you, Lord, that you have  
fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

## NOTICES

### HYMN

1 One more step along the world I go,  
one more step along the world I go;  
from the old things to the new,  
keep me travelling along with you:

*Chorus And it's from the old I travel to the new;  
keep me travelling along with you.*

2 Round the corners of the world I turn,  
more and more about the world I learn;  
all the new things that I see  
you'll be looking at along with me.

3 As I travel through the bad and good,  
keep me travelling the way I should;  
where I see no way to go,  
you'll be telling me the way, I know.

4 Give me courage when the world is rough,  
keep me loving though the world is tough;

leap and sing in all I do,  
keep me travelling along with you.

5 You are older than the world can be,  
you are younger than the life in me;  
ever old and ever new,  
keep me travelling along with you.

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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** David N. Johnson: Trumpet Tune

## 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, Marion Dent, Susan Adams, baby Chester, Carol, Canon Paula.

**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 email Pat Thomas (pat\_@hotmail.co.uk) the name of the person to pray for and the reason why.*

## REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

**Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week:** Mary Blackmore, Annie Catanding, William Newcombe, Peter Ryland Griffin, Emily Mary Dickens, Betsy Carnelly, Nick Laurie, Roger Paul Cheney, Colin John Baker, Allen Andrew Lambert, Mary Blackmore, Vera Toyer, Eunice Taylor, Vera Laurence, Yvonne Taylor, Margaret Smith, Philip Deacon, Joel Petros Lawrence, Sheila Mason, Barbara Smith.

**The recently departed**, among them Paddy Maudsley. His funeral will take place at All Hallows on Wednesday 21 August 14.00.

## NOTICES

**All Saints is now open to visitors** Thursdays 10:00-12:00. All are welcome for a chat and refreshments.

**Free concert with the Kyiv Classic Accordion Duo** in aid of Ukraine. 12 August 19:00, All Hallows. Refreshments as well. Do come along and support this worthy cause.

**Tea @2** Tuesday 13 August 14:00, St Andrew's Hall.

**Mothers' Union Quiet Afternoon** Friday 16 August 14:00-16:00, All Saints. Led by Canon John. The theme is *Jesus our Shepherd*.

**Ride & Stride** Saturday 14 September. Our churches have benefitted from the organiser Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust's financial support, so please help this cause. You can do so directly by either doing a sponsored walk or bicycle ride between different churches that are open (the route and the distance are up to you); or by stewarding the church that day to welcome visitors. Please find both sponsor and steward sign-up sheets on the desk by the entrance.

**Baroque and Roll** Saturday 28 September 19:30, All Hallows. Music for every taste on organ and harpsichord with plenty of banter from Gary Sieling (former Assistant at Peterborough Cathedral), and with our junior choirs. Tickets £10 from Tony Edwards (07867 554476 / TonyE1960@aol.com).

## DIARY

### Mon 12 Aug

### Tues 13 Aug

9:00-9:30

9:30-12:00

14:00-15:00

### Jeremy Taylor

Zoom

All Hallows' Hall

St Andrew's Hall

Morning Prayer

coffee shop

Tea @2

### Wed 14 Aug

9:30-12:00

10:30-12:15

12:15-12:45

19:00-20:30

All Hallows' Hall

All Hallows

All Hallows

All Hallows

coffee shop

open to the public

Midweek Eucharist

Bell ringing

### Thurs 15 Aug

### Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00-12:00

19:00-20:30

All Saints

All Hallows

open to the public

Handbell ringing

### Fri 16 Aug

9:30-12:00

14:00-16:00

All Hallows' Hall

All Saints

coffee shop

Mothers' Union Quiet Afternoon

### Sat 17 Aug

9:30-12:00

10:30-12:30

13:30-14:30

All Hallows' Hall

All Hallows

All Saints

coffee shop

open to the public

wedding

### Sun 18 Aug

### Trinity 12

9:15-10:15

11:15-12:15

All Saints

All Hallows

Family Eucharist

Eucharist

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