



## Holy Communion

All Hallows Church

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

13 September 2026

**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. For a large print, ask the person who gave you this leaflet. Please join in the responses in bold.

**We serve refreshments** before the service, feel free to take your drink to your pew for the start of the service.

**We don't take cash collection** during the service, however we welcome **donations** towards our mission and ever increasing maintenance costs. These can be left in the collection plate or be made using our contactless card machine at the entrance. Alternatively you can scan the QR code on the last page.

## Hymn

- 1 All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam:
- Chorus *O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
- 2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;  
ye lights of evening, find a voice:
- 3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,  
that givest us both warmth and light:
- 4 Dear mother earth, who day by day  
unfoldest blessings on our way, O praise him, alleluia!

The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,  
let them his glory also show:

5 Let all things their creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness; O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

*William Henry Draper (1855–1933) based on St Francis of Assisi (1182–1226)*

## 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 Brothers and sisters,  
as we prepare to celebrate,  
let us call to mind our sins.

**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     The almighty and merciful Lord  
                 grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,  
                 time for amendment of life,  
                 and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

**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.*

Lord God,  
defend your Church from all false teaching  
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,  
that we may enjoy eternal life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All            Amen.**

## **First reading Exodus 14.19-31**

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.'

Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Second reading Romans 14.1-12**

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on

servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Hymn**

1 Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Chorus *O Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

2 Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light;  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

3 Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

*Sebastian Temple (1928–1997) from a prayer attributed to St Francis of Assisi  
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## **Gospel reading Matthew 18.21-35**

### **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/choir Glory to you, O Lord.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.

'When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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.

*This response may be included:*

**All Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our prayer.**

*And at the end:*

**All** Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **Peace**

Minister God has called us to live in peace.

*cf 1 Corinthians 7.17*

**All** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Deacon Let us share with one another a sign of peace.

*We share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.*

## **Preparation of the table**

### **Hymn**

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgement given.
- 2 For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind,  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify his strictness  
with a zeal he would not own.
- 3 There is plentiful redemption  
through the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;  
there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.



*Second half of tune:*

4            If our love were but more simple,  
              we should take him at his word;  
              and our lives would be all gladness  
              in the joy of Christ our Lord.

*Frederick William Faber (1814–1863)*

**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 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 With confidence we pray, as our Saviour taught us.

**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     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 hymn**

- 1            I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest;  
                 lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast'.  
                 I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad;  
                 I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.
- 2            I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold, I freely give  
                 the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live':  
                 I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
                 my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- 3            I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light;  
                 look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright':  
                 I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;  
                 and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

*Horatius N. Bonar (1808-1889)*

## **Communion motet** Richard Lloyd: View me, Lord

- 1            View me, Lord, a work of Thine:  
                 Shall I then lie drown'd in night?  
                 Might Thy grace in me but shine,  
                 I should seem made all of light.
- 2            Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel  
                 At Thine altar pure and white:  
                 They that once Thy mercies feel,  
                 Gaze no more on earth's delight.
- 3            Worldly joys, like shadows, fade  
                 When the heav'nly light appears,

But the cov'nants Thou hast made,  
Endless, know nor days nor years.

- 4      In Thy Word, Lord, is my trust,  
To Thy mercies fast I fly;  
Though I am but clay and dust,  
Yet thy grace can lift me high.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Minister      Keep, O Lord, your Church,  
with your perpetual mercy; and,  
because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,  
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;  
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      Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.
- 2      King of our hearts, Christ reigns in us;  
kinship with him his servants gain;  
with Christ, the Servant-Lord of all,  
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.
- 3      Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
this world of time to consecrate,  
our world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.
- 4      Prophets of Christ, we hear his word:  
he claims our minds, to search his ways;  
he claims our lips, to speak his truth;  
he claims our hearts, to sing his praise.

5           We are his Church, he makes us one:  
            here is one hearth for all to find;  
            here is one flock, one Shepherd-King;  
            here is one faith, one heart, one mind.

*James Quinn, SJ (1919–2010) Words: © Continuum International Publishing Group Ltd*

## **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**

Minister    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All           In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The people and ministers depart.*

**Organ voluntary** John Stanley (1723 – 1786): no 8 of Opus 7

## **Our prayers are asked for**

*Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them* Carol, Kay G, Jo Thraves, Glennis Eades, Rita Hawkes, Ann, Audrey and Liz Coxall, Richard McInnes, Sue Mutlow.

*The housebound and those in residential homes:* Shirley Cockerill, Susan Poolman, Jenny Attewell, Margaret Eady, Richard Hole.

*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)*

## **Remember the departed**

*Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week:* Mary Stevens, William Albert Walker, Stanly Le Count, Gerald Clarke, Margaret Steele, Marian Andrews, Harry England, Nick White, Dick Biggs, Terence Eugene Waite, Grace Herod, Richard Wigglesworth, Phillipa Ann Harvey, Colin Collins, Michael Edwin Steele, Olive Wills, John Jakeman, Dinah Holder, Michael Pettitt, Colin Tuplin, James Ward.

## Diary

### **Mon 14 Sept Holy Cross Day**

|             |                   |                                |
|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 9:00-9:30   | Zoom              | Morning Prayer                 |
| 9:15-11:00  | All Hallows' Hall | Little Acorns pre-school group |
| 18:00-19:15 | St Mary's Hall    | 4 <sup>th</sup> Cubs           |
| 18:15-19:30 | All Hallows' Hall | Brownies & Rainbows            |
| 18:30-19:15 | All Saints        | Organ lesson                   |
| 19:30-21:00 | St Mary's Hall    | 4 <sup>th</sup> Scouts         |
| 19:30-20:30 | All Saints        | Bible study                    |

### **Tues 15 Sept Cyprian**

|             |                   |                |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 9:00-9:30   | Zoom              | Morning Prayer |
| 9:30-12:00  | All Hallows' Hall | coffee shop    |
| 14:00-15:00 | All Hallows' Hall | Bible study    |

### **Wed 16 Sept Ninian**

|             |                   |                    |
|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 9:00-9:30   | Zoom              | Morning Prayer     |
| 9:30-12:00  | All Hallows' Hall | coffee shop        |
| 10:30-13:00 | All Hallows       | open to the public |
| 12:15-12:45 | All Hallows       | Holy Communion     |
| 19:00-20:30 | All Hallows       | bell ringing       |
| 19:00-20:30 | All Hallows' Hall | Guides             |

### **Thur 17 Sept Hildegard**

|             |                |                         |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 9:00-9:30   | Zoom           | Morning Prayer          |
| 18:15-19:30 | St Mary's Hall | 4 <sup>th</sup> Beavers |

### **Fri 18 Sept**

|             |                   |                       |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 9:30-12:00  | All Hallows' Hall | coffee shop           |
| 18:30-19:45 | All Hallows       | junior choir practice |
| 19:30-20:45 | All Hallows       | adult choir practice  |

### **Sat 19 Sept**

|             |                   |                           |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 9:30-10:30  | All Saints        | Celtic Eucharist          |
| 9:30-12:00  | All Hallows' Hall | coffee shop               |
| 9:30-10:30  | Dale End          | 4 <sup>th</sup> Squirrels |
| 10:30-12:30 | All Hallows       | open to the public        |

### **Sun 20 Sept Trinity 16**

|             |                   |                   |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 9:15-10:15  | All Saints        | Sung Eucharist    |
| 11:15-12:15 | All Hallows       | Sung Eucharist    |
| 18:00-18:30 | Zoom              | Compline          |
| 19:30-21:30 | All Hallows' Hall | Pegasus Explorers |

## Notices

*If you would like to be confirmed*, please speak to Rev Paula, Canon John, or Rev Jess. Preparation classes start in October, confirmation 22 November, All Saints.

*Our next Bible Studies on St Mark's Gospel:*

Monday 14 September 19:30, All Saints Lady Chapel;

Tuesday 15 September 14:00, All Hallows' Hall. All welcome.

*Informal Celtic Eucharist* Saturday 19 September 9:30, All Saints.

*The Cantare Singers concert* 3 October 19:00, All Hallows. An evening of favourite easy music for all. Tickets: £10 adults, under 16s free, available from Tony Edwards (07867 554476 / TonyE1960@aol.com).

*All Souls Service* Sunday 1 November 18:00, All Saints. 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 in church, use capital letters for legibility.

*Canon Paula moving on:* As it was announced in both churches, Canon Paula will be leaving us to become Rector of St Peter and St Paul with St Michael and All Angels, and Priest in Charge of All Saints Kettering. Her last service will be a Benefice Service at All Saints Wellingborough at 10:00 on 25 October. Please do pray for Canon Paula and her husband Chris as they prepare to move and for those who will take on additional responsibility for our churches in the vacancy.

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