



Holy Communion

All Saints Church

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

20 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.

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

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 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises I will ever give to thee.

William Williams (1717–1791), translated by Peter Williams (1727–1796)

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 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.

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

First reading Exodus 16.2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the

fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the LORD said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?' And Moses said, 'When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him – what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.'

Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining."' And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God."'

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Second reading Philipians 1.21-30

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith,

so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well – since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

- 1 Teach me, my God and King,
in all things thee to see;
and what I do in anything
to do it as for thee.
- 2 To all that look on glass,
on it may stay their eye;
or, if he pleaseth, through it pass,
and then the heaven espy.
- 3 All may of thee partake;
nothing can be so mean
which, with this tincture, For thy sake,
will not grow bright and clean.
- 4 A servant with this clause
makes drudgery divine;
who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,
makes that and the action fine.
- 5 This is the famous stone
that turneth all to gold;
for that which God doth touch and own
cannot for less be told.

George Herbert (1593–1633)

Gospel reading Matthew 20.1-16

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/choir Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard."

'When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

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 Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:

Chorus *For his mercies ay endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.*

2 Let us blaze his name abroad,
for of gods he is the God:

3 He with all-commanding might
filled the new-made world with light:

4 He the golden-tressèd sun
caused all day his course to run:

5 And the hornèd moon at night
'mid her spangled sisters bright:

6 All things living he doth feed,
his full hand supplies their need:

7 Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:

John Milton, the elder (c.1563–1647) based on Psalm 136

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 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 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 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 May the mind of Christ my Saviour live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling all I do or say.
- 2 May the word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph only through his power.
- 3 May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.
- 4 May the love of Jesus fill me, as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self abasing — this is victory.
- 5 May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the
foe, looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.

Katie Barclay Wilkinson (1859–1928)

Communion motet Thomas Attwood: Teach me, O Lord

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statute and I shall keep it unto the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law,
yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.
Make me to go in the path of thy commandments for therein is my desire.
Incline my heart unto thy testimonies and not to covetousness.
O turn away mine eyes,
lest they behold vanity and quicken me in thy ways.
O stablish thy word in thy servant that I may fear thee.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Minister Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart

and our neighbours as ourselves;
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 Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.
- 2 O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.
- 3 O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;
- 4 And that a higher gift than grace should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self, and essence all-divine.
- 5 O generous love! that he, who smote in Man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man for man should undergo;
- 6 And in the garden secretly, and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.
- 7 Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801–1890)

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

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.

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: Lillian Florence Fuller, June Lock, Ellen Cornwell, Joan Gwendoline Chapman, Robert Newcombe, Gladys Winifred Fairbain, Margaret Manning, Albert Webber, Florence Blyth, Robert Stapleton, Pam Smith, Winifred Leedham, Eileen Baldock, Donna Warner, Robert Orton.

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Diary

Mon 21 Sept

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 th 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 th Scouts

Matthew the Evangelist

Tues 22 Sept

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

Wed 23 Sept

9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop / Knit and Natter
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 24 Sept

9:00-9:30	Zoom	Morning Prayer
11:15-12:00	Midland Care Home	Care Home Communion
18:15-19:30	St Mary's Hall	4 th Beavers

Fri 25 Sept

Lancelot Andrews

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 26 Sept

9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
9:30-10:30	Dale End	4 th Squirrels
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public

Sun 27 Sept

Generosity

9:15-10:15	All Saints	Sung Eucharist
11:15-12:15	All Hallows	Sung Eucharist
12:15-13:15	All Hallows' Hall	Generosity Lunch
13:15-18:00	All Hallows	Church Tour & Exhibition
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.

Celebrating Generosity Sunday 27 September

9:15 All Saints and 11:15 All Hallows – **Sung Eucharist**.

12:15 All Hallows' Hall – **Generosity Lunch**.

13:00-18:00 All Hallows – **church tour and exhibition**.

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).

Celebrating Harvest and Gratitude Sunday 4 October

9:15 All Saints and 11:15 All Hallows – **Harvest Festival Eucharist**

You are invited to bring to church donations of dried/tinned food or toiletries for the Daylight Centre with a coin (or note) taped to them.

18:00 All Hallows – **Thanksgiving Service** to honour the volunteers and workers of All Saints and All Hallows.

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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