



In this service we give thanks for all the Saints of God, named and unnamed, famous or unknown and also celebrate the life of our own community of All Saints' today.

Welcome and Introduction

Hymn *(tune: Sine Nomine)*

For all the saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluya!*

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.

O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Alleluya!*

We greet each other

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

The saints are our friends in all times and places
Let us praise God with them!

We are sorry

We are called to repentance.

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith. *Hebrews 12.1*

Lord, your gospel is fresh and disturbing; forgive us when we make it stale or safe.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

In the lives of your saints, your love and grace is shown excessively; forgive us the meanness of our response.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You call us to be joyful and loving;
forgive us when we lose sight of true joy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.



Absolution

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon *you*,
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,
confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness,
and keep *you* in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

We celebrate



Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia! *[Glory to God in the highest]*

The Collect (special prayer for today)

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to
follow their example with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We listen to God's word

Please sit.

First Reading:

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Second Reading:

Ephesians 1:11 to end

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please stand.

Hymn

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
allelu, alleluia.

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
allelu, alleluia.*

You shall not live by bread alone,
but by ev'ry word
that proceeds from the mouth of God;
allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find;
knock and it shall be opened unto you;
allelu, alleluia.

Gospel Reading:

Luke 6:20-31

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

A short silence is kept.

We believe ...

Please stand.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world.

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**



Prayers

At the end of each section, the response is:

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The prayers end:

... By your grace may we, like them, be made
perfect in your love.

**Blessing and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving, honour and power,
be to our God for ever and ever. Amen**

We share God's meal

Please stand.

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the
household of God, through Christ our Lord, who
came and preached peace to those who were far
off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

All share a sign of peace with each other.

Preparing the Table

*As we sing the hymn, a collection is taken and the table
is prepared.*

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth
you now bring us,
shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord,
and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness,
search me, try me, consume
all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives
tell your story.
shine on me, shine on me.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks, most gracious God,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses
and glorified in the assembly of your saints.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
We, your holy Church, acclaim you.
In communion with angels and archangels,
and with all who served you on earth
and worship you now in heaven,
we raise our voice to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven 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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his
command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his
mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,

and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.
Great is the mystery of faith:

(sung)

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

(sung)

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

We sit or kneel for

The Lord's Prayer

With saints and martyrs through the ages,
as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread

'I am the bread of life,' says the Lord,
'whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.'

**Taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are they who trust in him.**

As the bread is broken we sing:

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God almighty.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God almighty.
Who was, and is, and is to come,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.**



The Invitation to Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying,
'Alleluia'. The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

All communicant members of any Christian church are warmly invited to share in Communion at this service. Those who are not ready to take communion are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing.

During communion the choir sings "Hail Glorious Spirits, Heirs of Light" by Christopher Tye.

Communion Hymns

As we are gathered, Jesus is here,
one with each other, Jesus is here.
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,
part of the Body, the Church of God.
As we are gathered, Jesus is here,
one with each other, Jesus is here.

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

Prayer after Communion

**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. Amen**

We are sent out in God's name

Hymn

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.

At the end of the hymn, all turn to face the west end of the church.

The Blessing

The president gives the blessing.

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.
Amen.

May he give you joy in their fellowship
and a share in their praises.
Amen.

May he strengthen you to walk in the way of holiness
and to come to the full radiance of glory.
Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

The Dismissal

The priest says:

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ.
Amen

Please do stay and join us for refreshments in the All Saints Centre.

The All Souls Service will be this evening at 6.30pm.



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