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for the Sung Eucharist

Sunday 17 September 2017

11.00 am

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Music before the Service

Psalm Prelude, set 1 no. 1 - Herbert Howells

The Gathering

Stand as the bell rings for the **Introit Hymn**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation.
Come ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen all that is needful hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth his light, chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew all the Almighty can do,
He who with love doth befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the amen sound from his people again,
Gladly for all we adore him.**

Joachim Neander (1650-80) Tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)
Tune: Lobe den Herren

Introduction

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

All **Amen**

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

The president welcomes all, and invites everyone to seek the mercy and grace of God.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. Amen**

The president pronounces absolution

All sing the **Gloria**

All **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.**

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

Remain standing for **The Collect**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 50. 15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.'

Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

Remain seated for the Psalm: 103. 8-13

All **The Lord is compassion and love**

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us,
neither will he keep his anger for ever. **/R**

All **The Lord is compassion and love**

He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him. **/R**

All **The Lord is compassion and love**

As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he set our sins from us.
As a father has compassion on his children,
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him. **/R**

All **The Lord is compassion and love**

New Testament 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.

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

All stand and turn to face the reader for **The Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18. 21-35

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All **Glory to you O Lord**

Then Peter came and said to him, '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 should 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 should 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.**
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Please sit for **The Sermon**
The Rev'd Prebendary Bill Scott

All stand for **The Nicene Creed**

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**

Sit or kneel for the Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy

All **Hear our prayer**

at the end:

Merciful Father,

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Christ is our peace; he has reconciled us to God in one body on the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you

All **and also with you.**

The congregation are invited to greet one another.

The Offertory

During the following hymn a collection will be taken towards the ministry of this church. If you are a UK Tax Payer, you can increase the value of your gift by 25% by completing one of the Gift Aid envelopes which are available in the pews. You can also donate via your mobile phone - eg to give £5. just text the message 'AHBT45 £5' to 70070. Thank you.

Elements of bread, wine and water are taken up to the altar.

**God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea
And rides upon the storm.**

**Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill
He treasures up his bright designs
And works his sovereign will.**

**Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy and shall break
In blessings on your head.**

**Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.**

**His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.**

**Blind unbelief is sure to err
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.**

William Cowper (1731-1800) Tune: London New

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of Life.

All **Blessed be God forever!**

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever!**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you:

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts:

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever. From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

All **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.**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. Bring us at the last with Mary and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours forever and ever. Amen**

Remain standing for **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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**

Agnus Dei

All **Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace**

The president invites the congregation to receive communion

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**

If you are used to receiving communion at your own church you are welcome here. If for any reason you do not wish to take communion you may come forward for a blessing, taking this booklet with you.

Remain seated for the **Communion Hymn.**

**Let saints on earth in concert sing
With those whose work is done;
For all the servants of our King
In heaven and earth are one.**

**One family, we dwell in him,
One church, above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.**

**One army of the living God,
To his command we bow:
Part of his host has crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.**

**E'en now to their eternal home
There pass some spirits blest;
While others to the margin come,
Waiting their call to rest.**

**Jesu, be thou our constant guide;
Then, when the word is given,
Bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
And bring us safe to heaven.**

Charles Wesley (1707-88) Tune: Dundee

Please remain seated or kneel for the **Postcommunion Prayer**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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**

Banns, Notices and Announcements

Please stand for **the Blessing and Dismissal**

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

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. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

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

Remain standing for the final hymn.

**Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills in this world and the next!**

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven.
The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen**

Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) Tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)
Tune: Nun Danket

Please remain standing whilst the clergy and servers depart.

Music after the Service

Carillon - Herbert Murrill

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

<p>WHO'S READY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL?</p> 	<p>Our Sunday school will be running on the second and fourth Sundays of the month during the 11am service. The sessions are geared for 4-7 year olds, but there will also be activities for pre-schoolers. If you would like your child/children to attend, please speak to Jules after the service or email her at: jules.soanes@googlemail.com</p>
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The Week Ahead

Monday 18 September

No services today

Tuesday 19 September

8.30am: Morning Prayer

1.00pm: Lunchtime Communion

Wednesday 20 September

8.30am: Morning Prayer

6.00pm: Taizé Service

Thursday 21 September

8.30am: Eucharist

1.10pm: Organ Recital by David Cook

Friday 22 September

No services today

Sunday 24 September- Trinity 15

11.00am: Sung Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Fiona Green

Readings: Jonah 3.10-end of 4; Psalm 145.1-8;
Philippians 1.21-end; Matthew 20.1-16

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FREE GUIDED TOURS

are available most weekday afternoons between 2-4pm. Led by qualified Guides, these short 'highlight' tours present an ideal opportunity to hear about the long and fascinating history of All Hallows. Tours for groups can also be arranged throughout the year at a cost of £5 per person - please contact the parish office for more details.

FOOD BANK: First Love Foundation coordinates the Tower Hamlets Foodbank, which works to tackle hidden hunger by providing food and support to those in crisis. All Hallows is a Church Partner of the Foundation, and a collection point for donations of food to be distributed to people in difficult situations. Supplies of tinned and dried goods are needed throughout the year, so please add an extra item or two to your regular shopping list and bring something along whenever you can.



Notices

SUPPORTING ALL HALLOWS - STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

As part of our Stewardship campaign, Tilly and Evie Lawley have made a special video to show what All Hallows means to us, which you can see on our website at: www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate/stewardship. The PCC is hoping that at least half of the congregation will commit to regular giving and volunteering opportunities, to help us achieve all the many things we do at All Hallows. Please pray about your response and then return your completed form to Angie in the parish office asap.

HARVEST FESTIVAL - Sunday 1 October, 11am

At our Harvest Festival we will be giving thanks for the volunteers who facilitate our services, worship and music, and who look after our visitors during the week, as well as for the responses to our Stewardship campaign. Join us for this special service and stay for a bring and share lunch afterwards - all welcome, and if you can help with catering please let Jules know. Our Harvest gifts of dried, packaged and tinned food will be given to the Tower Hamlets Foodbank, so please add an item or two to your shopping and bring it along on the day or during the week before.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL - Saturday 7 October, Noon

Join us for one of our occasional lunchtime recitals to hear Iain Gibbs performing Sibelius' Violin concerto and Beethoven's Eroica Symphony - all welcome.

MARITIME MEMORIAL BOOK SERVICE - Thursday 12 October, Noon

The Maritime Foundation will be holding their annual service of remembrance for those lost at sea and for whom there is no known grave.

ALL HALLOWS QUIZ NIGHT - Saturday 21 October, 7pm

Brighten up a dark Autumn evening by testing your knowledge at our quiz night, with prizes on offer and your team's honour at stake. Come on your own and join a team, or bring your friends and take on the rest. Tickets cost £10 per person, including a light buffet supper (profits to Tower Hamlets Foodbank) and are available from the church office.

ADULT BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

There will be a confirmation service at St Paul's Cathedral in November. If you are considering being baptised or confirmed, please speak to Bertrand or Martin to find out more about this opportunity to renew and deepen your faith commitment.

THE VICAR IS BACK ON TRACK...

Bertrand is running the Berlin Marathon next Sunday to raise funds for improving the first floor kitchen and meeting rooms. Please support his efforts by sponsoring him - you can find the details at: www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate/vicars-marathon/

THE TEAM AT ALL HALLOWS

Vicar:	The Rev'd Bertrand Olivier
Associate Priest:	The Rev'd Sophia Acland
Licensed Lay Minister:	Martin Carr
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