



**BYWARD STREET
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for the Sung Eucharist

Sunday 15 October 2017

11.00 am

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Music before the Service

Nenia Wermlandica (Värmlandsvisan) - Lars Egebjør

The Gathering

Stand as the bell rings for the Introit Hymn

**Light's abode, celestial Salem,
vision dear whence peace doth spring,
brighter than the heart can fancy,
mansion of the highest King;
O how glorious are the praises
which of thee the prophets sing!**

**There for ever and for ever
alleluia is outpoured;
for unending, for unbroken,
is the feast-day of the Lord;
all is pure and all is holy
that within thy walls is stored.**

**O how glorious and resplendent,
fragile body, shalt thou be,
when endued with so much beauty,
full of health, and strong, and free,
full of vigour, full of pleasure
that shall last eternally.**

**Now with gladness, now with courage,
bear the burden on thee laid,
that hereafter these thy labours
may with endless gifts be paid;
and in everlasting glory
thou with joy may'st be arrayed.**

Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
one in love, and one in splendour,
while unending ages run.

Latin, 15th C Tr JM Neale (1818-66) Tune: Regent Square

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 and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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: Isaiah 25.1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

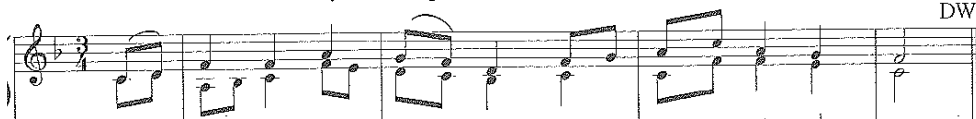
On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

Remain seated for the **Psalm: 23**

The— Lord is my shep - herd; there is no - thing I shall want.



The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake. **R/**

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R/**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. **R/**

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R/**

New Testament Reading: Philippians 4.1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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 22.1-14

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**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying:

‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come.

Again he sent other slaves, saying, “Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.” But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them.

The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, “The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.” Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ‘

But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?” And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All **Praise to you O Christ.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Please sit for **The Sermon**
The Rev'd Bertrand Olivier

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.

**Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest,
Beneath your contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed.
I know not, oh, I know not what social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory, what light beyond compare.**

**They stand, those halls of Sion, conjubilant with song
And bright with many an angel and all the martyr throng.
The prince is ever in them; the daylight is serene;
The pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen.**

**There is the throne of David, and there, from care released,
The song of them that triumph, he shout of them that feast.
And they, who with their leader have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever are clad in robes of white.**

**Oh, sweet and blessed country, shall I ever see thy face?
Oh, sweet and blessed country shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, o dust and ashes! the Lord shall be thy part:
His only, his for ever, thou shalt be, and thou art!**

Bernard of Cluny (12th C) Tr JM Neale (1818-66) Tune: Ewing

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 receive communion at your own church you are welcome here. If 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.**

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
joyce! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is
near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near. In the

Jacques Berthier (1923-44) Taizé Community

**In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;
lift up your voices, the Lord is near.**

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

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **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.

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions;
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of all shall end divisions:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
*All are welcome...***

**Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God through Jesus
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
*All are welcome...***

**Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of love's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
*All are welcome...***

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
*All are welcome...***

Marty Haugen (b1950) Tune: Two Oaks

Please remain standing whilst the clergy and servers depart.

Music after the Service

Tuba Tune - C. S. Lang

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

WHO'S READY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Our Sunday school takes place on the second and fourth Sundays of the month during the 11am service. The sessions are geared for 4-7 year olds, but there are also activities for pre-schoolers. If you would like your child/children to attend, please speak to Jules after the service or email: jules.soanes@googlemail.com

The Week Ahead

Monday 16 October

No services today

Tuesday 17 October

8.30am: Morning Prayer

1.00pm: Lunchtime Communion

Wednesday 18 October

8.30am: Morning Prayer

6.00pm: Taizé Service

Thursday 19 October

8.30am: Eucharist

1.10pm: Organ Recital by David Cook

Friday 20 October

No services today

Saturday 21 October

7.00pm: Quiz Night

Sunday 22 October - Trinity 19

11.00am: Sung Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Bertrand Olivier

Readings: Isaiah 45.1-7; Psalm 96.1-9;

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10; Matthew 22.15-22

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FREE GUIDED TOURS

are available most weekday afternoons from April-October 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.

Group tours 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, providing food and support to those in crisis. All Hallows is a Church Partner of the Foundation, and a collection point for gifts of food to be distributed to people in difficult situations. Tinned and dried goods are needed all year round, so please bring something whenever you can.



Notices

MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER ...

... is now available on our website blog at: <https://ahbtt.wordpress.com/>

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 inc a light buffet supper, and all profits will go towards the Porch Room appeal.

JUST SHARE EVENT: Ethical Employment - Tuesday 24 October, 6pm

Employment is the foundation of any business and the cornerstone of ethical practice. How can companies ensure their employees are being treated fairly? What are the priorities in getting it right? Come and join the debate - all welcome

ANNE FRANK + YOU - Arts Pavilion, Mile End 6-29 October

Created together with the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, this exhibition takes a unique look at Anne Frank's life and diary, and raises issues of racism, conflict and identity today. It also features a life-size replica of Anne Frank's bedroom in the secret annexe. <https://annefrank.org.uk/education/your-community/anne-frank-you/>

ULTIMA BRITANNIA: 6-24 November (rehearsals w/c 30 October)

Our primary schools' programme this term focuses on the Romans, with the children becoming Romano-British Londoners encountering some characters and dilemmas of the time. Please note that visitor access to parts of the church and museum will be restricted during this time for the children's safety and security.

ALL SOULS DAY SERVICE - Thursday 2 November, 12.30pm

Join us for our All Souls service when we remember friends and loved ones who have died. If you would like to add a name to the list of those we pray for, please give the details to Angie in the church office by 29 October.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL OF ALL SAINTS - Sunday 5 November, 11am

Come and celebrate all that makes All Hallows the amazing community that it is at this special service for All Saints. Give thanks for the cloud of witnesses past, present and future keeping the light of Christ alight on Tower Hill, celebrate the volunteers who help maintain our hospitality, and enjoy one another's company in worship and over festive refreshments and substantial nibbles. All welcome! If you would like to help sponsor refreshments or decoration, contact the office or see Jules Soanes.

SUPPORTING ALL HALLOWS - STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

If you haven't yet done so, please return your Stewardship Response to the church office asap - forms available in church and at www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate/stewardship/

THE TEAM AT ALL HALLOWS

Vicar:	The Rev'd Bertrand Olivier
Associate Priest:	The Rev'd Sophia Acland
Licensed Lay Minister:	Martin Carr
Operations & Finance Manager:	Angie Poppitt
Education & History Officer:	Adey Grummet
Organist and Director of Music:	Jonathan Melling
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