

## Order of Service The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 25 May 2025, I lam

President: The Revd Nicol Kinrade Preacher: The Revd Dr John Barker

#### **WELCOME**

#### to all who are joining us today, whether in church or online.

All Hallows is a member of Inclusive Church and we are delighted you have joined our worship today. Please ask one of our welcomers if you need any assistance during the service. If you are able, we'd love you to join us for refreshments when the service has finished.

For those with children you will find space in the south aisle where you will be able to see and participate in the whole service. You will find some activity sheets to enable you and any children you have brought with you to engage with our service. Please ask one of our friendly welcomers if you need anything before or during the service.

We will be taking a collection during the service, and we encourage those who are UK tax payers to use one of the gift aid envelopes which are available in the pews. This will increase the value of your gift by 25% at no extra cost to you.

You can also make a debit/credit card donation to All Hallows by using the donations machine at the back of the church, by using the QR code on your phone, or via our website at www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate

Thank you.



#### **Security Notice**

We advise you not to leave personal belongings unattended and to keep them in sight at all times. Do not leave bags on the floor by your feet, and make sure you take any valuables with you when you go up to receive Communion. For additional safety and security, 24 hour CCTV recording is in operation on these premises.

Our church services are recorded and streamed on our website. You may be filmed during the service, and pictures of you may be transmitted online and as mobile content. By entering the church you consent to such filming and to the transmission of any broadcast. If you do not wish to be filmed please speak to one of the welcome team who will direct you to an unfilmed area in the north aisle.

#### Music before the Service

Liturgical Improvisation no.1 – George Oldroyd Organist: Jonathan Melling

#### The Gathering

#### Hymn

Please stand

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings within, and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am (thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down), Now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
Here for a season then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871) Tune: Saffron Walden

#### Welcome and 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.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Words of welcome and introduction are 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. **A**men

#### **Prayers of Confession**

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

I Corinthians 5.7.8

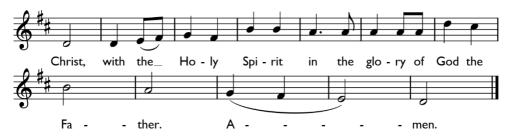
All Most merciful God.

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be: that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

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.

#### All Amen.





#### The Collect

Let us pray:

God our redeemer,

you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal 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

#### First Reading Acts 16.9-15

Read by Ella Barker

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were

baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

The Psalm: 67

O Lord, be gracious, come and bless us, And on us make your face to shine. So every people, every nation, May know your saving pow'r divine.

Come and be glad now, all you nations; Sing songs of joy with thankfulness. Our God is judge o'er every people, And rules with perfect righteousness.

Let all the people come and praise you; Blest be your name, O living Lord! Earth's bread and fruit you give in blessing; Forever be your name adored.

Tune: St Clement

Please Sit

Second Reading: Revelation 21.10, 22-22.5

Read by John Price

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

hen the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there

any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

This is the word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

All stand and face the Gospel for the **Gospel Acclamation** 

#### Gospel Reading: John 14.23-29

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

#### All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

#### All Praise to you, O Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Revd Dr John Barker

#### The Nicene Creed

Please stand.

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.

Please sit or kneel.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Led by Kate Price

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.

Please stand.

#### The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

All and also with you. Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

#### **Offertory Hymn**

During the 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. Thank you.

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 Alleluya 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. Amen.

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

#### The Preparation of the Table

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.

#### All Amen.

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#### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

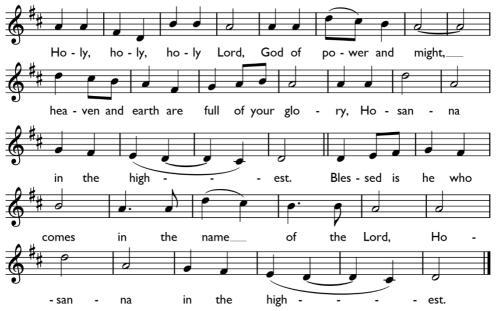
All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; 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.

lesus Christ is Lord:

## All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

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:

## All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

#### 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**



#### Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

#### All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communicant members of all Christian churches are invited to receive Holy Communion at All Hallows. All others may come forward for a prayer of blessing - please indicate this by bowing your head.

#### **Music During Communion**

Berceuse - Alexandre Guilmant

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### All 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.

#### **Notices**

#### The Dismissal

#### Hymn

Please stand.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew, That I may love what thou dost love, And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure; Until with thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly thine; Until this earthly part of me Glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die, But live with thee the perfect life Of thine eternity.

Edwin Hatch (1835-1889) Tune: Carlisle

#### The Blessing

The Lord be with you All And also with you.

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Music after the Service

Gavotte (Tower Hill Suite) - Gordon Phillips

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

#### **Notices**

#### **Beating the Bounds on Ascension Day**

We're looking forward to the annual Beating the Bounds ceremony on Thursday 29 May. We'll gather in church at 4pm and set off around the parish at 4.15pm. Everyone is then welcome to stay for Choral Evensong with the Tower Hill Voices at 6pm.

If anyone is available to help with refreshments, please speak to Kate Price. Thank you.

#### Safeguarding audit - your help is needed

Over a five-year period, from 2023 – 2028, independent safeguarding audits are being carried out in every diocese across the Church of England. Each audit results in a report and action plan, to bring us closer to being a truly safe Church for all.

#### How you can help

A vital part of the independent audit is for as many people as possible in our communities to complete a survey. It's important for as many voices as possible to be represented, so that the auditors gain a real picture of the culture in our diocese.

- There are several surveys, each for different groups of people.
- You are encouraged to complete as many surveys are as relevant to you.
- The surveys are anonymous, and you will not be asked to name your church.
- Each survey should only take 10 minutes.

We are keen to get a good response to this important survey which you can complete at

https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/london/ or scan this QR Code.

#### **Christian Aid Week**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Christian Aid Week. You'll be pleased to hear we have raised £484.05 to support Christian Aid as they work towards eradicating extreme poverty around the world.

#### Roles to support All Hallows

There is a variety of ways you can get involved with our church community. We are looking to grow the following teams:

- Finance and Fabric Committees
- For occasional services (carol services and memorials) AV support and vergers
- Chiming
- Flower arranging
- Welcomers and Hospitality
- Servers
- Singing the psalm or reading the lessons
- Leading intercessions
- Heading the Children's Corner

As you can see there are many different ways to get involved, with a range of skills, interests and time commitments, so please consider offering to help out (even once a month or once a quarter would be hugely appreciated).

#### **Looking Closer, Looking Deeper**

Podcast episode I I is now out! "To The Lonely Sea And The Sky - The Old Worcesters" To listen, go to www.spotify.com and search for 'All Hallows by the Tower', or use link: <a href="https://rb.gy/yqozty">https://rb.gy/yqozty</a>

#### Taizé Music practice

The next practice of Taizé chants will be on Wednesday II June, after our service of prayers. Everyone is welcome to join in and the practice will finish by 8pm.

#### The Week Ahead

#### **Church Opening Times**

Tuesday-Friday: 8am-5pm Saturday-Sunday: 10am-5pm

#### Services at All Hallows

You are welcome to join us for any of our services in church. Our Sunday Eucharist and Taizé services are streamed on Zoom.

#### Monday 26 May

Church Closed for the Bank Holiday

#### Tuesday 27 May

8.30am Morning Prayer 4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### Wednesday 28 May

8.30am Morning Prayer 6bm Taizé Prayer

#### Thursday 29 May

8.30am Said Eucharist

4pm Beating the Bounds

Followed by Choral

Evensong

#### Friday 30 May

No services today

#### Saturday 31 May

10am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist for the Feast of

the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to

Elizabeth

4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### Sunday I June: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

I Iam Parish Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Robert Coupland, Chaplain to the Bishop of London

#### Taizé - Wednesdays at 6pm

Our weekly Taizé service takes place in church and online. You are welcome to join us for this meditative time of prayer, music and reflection. If you can't attend in person and would like to join us online, you can view the livestream at ahbtt.org.uk/livestream.

Zoom links are included in our weekly email, but if you would like a link for a particular service or event please email **parish@ahbtt.org.uk**.

#### **Weekly Email**

Sign up to our email to receive our weekly news – go to ahbtt.org.uk, enter your email address in the 'Join our Mailing List' box and click 'Subscribe'.

#### Byward Kitchen & Bar

The Byward Kitchen is open for drinks, meals and light refreshments from 9am-3.30pm, with indoor and outdoor seating available.

bywardkitchenandbar.com

#### The Team at All Hallows

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