



# **St Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist**

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Sunday 21 September 2025, 11am

President: **The Revd Dr John Barker**

Preacher: **The Revd Nicol Kinrade**

# 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](http://www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate)

**Thank you.**



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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.

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**Music before the Service**  
Fountain Melody – *John Arthur Meale*  
Organist: David Cook

**The Gathering**

**Hymn**

*Please stand.*

**He sat to watch o'er customs paid,  
A man of scorned and hardening trade,  
Alike the symbol and the tool  
Of foreign masters' hated rule.**

**But grace within his breast had stirred;  
There needed but the timely word:  
It came, true Lord of souls, from thee,  
That royal summons, 'Follow me.'**

**Enough, when thou wast passing by,  
To hear thy voice, to meet thine eye:  
He rose, responsive to the call,  
And left his task, his gains, his all.**

**O wise exchange! With these to part,  
And lay up treasure in the heart –  
Who now with crown of light doth shine  
Among the apostolic line.**

**Come, Saviour, as in days of old;  
Pass where the world has strongest hold,  
And faithless care and selfish greed  
Are thorns that choke the holy seed.**

**Who keep thy gifts, O bid them claim  
The steward's, not the owner's name;  
Who yield all up for thy dear sake,  
Let them of Matthew's wealth partake.**

*William Bright (1824-1901) Tune: Fulda*

## 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.**

*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.  
Amen**

## Prayers of Confession

Jesus said to his apostles,  
'You are my friends if you obey my commands.'  
Let us now confess our disobedience to him.

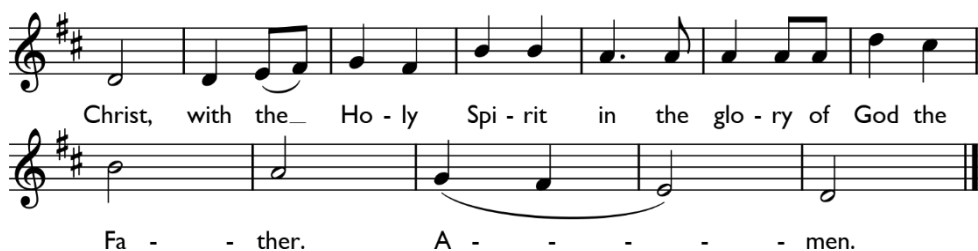
*All* **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
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.**

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 Gloria

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on  
 earth. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and  
 Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a -  
 way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us; you are  
 sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our  
 prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -  
 lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus



## The Collect

Let us pray

O Almighty God,

whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector

to be an apostle and evangelist:

give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches

that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,

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 Proverbs 3.13-18

Read by

Happy are those who find wisdom,

and those who get understanding,

for her income is better than silver,

and her revenue better than gold.

She is more precious than jewels,

and nothing you desire can compare with her.

Long life is in her right hand;

in her left hand are riches and honour.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness,

and all her paths are peace.

She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;

those who hold her fast are called happy.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 119.65-72

Sung by Sarah Alder



You have dealt  
graciously with your servant,  
according to your word, O Lord.  
O teach me true  
understanding and knowledge,  
for I have trusted  
in your commandments. **R/**

Before I was afflicted I went astray,  
but now I keep your word.  
You are gracious and do good;  
O Lord, teach me your statutes. **R/**

The proud have  
smeared me with lies,  
but I will keep your commandments  
with my whole heart.  
Their heart has become gross with fat,  
but my delight is in your law. **R/**

It is good for me that I have been afflicted,  
that I may learn your statutes.  
The law of your mouth is dearer to me  
than a hoard of gold and silver. **R/**

## Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4.1-6

Read by Szabina Soptei

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for

Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading Matthew 9.9-13**

*Please stand and face the Gospel.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Revd Nicol Kinrade

## **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 Ella Barker

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**

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.

*Ephesians 2.19,17*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All and also with you.**

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.*

**Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
And publish abroad his wonderful name:  
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.**

**God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
And still he is nigh, his presence we have;  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.**

**Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud and honour the Son:  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.**

**Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
All honour and blessing, with angels above,  
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.**

*Charles Wesley (1707-88) Tune: Paderborn*

### **The Preparation of the Table**

God our Father,  
keep us united in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread and the prayers,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*cf Acts 2.42*

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

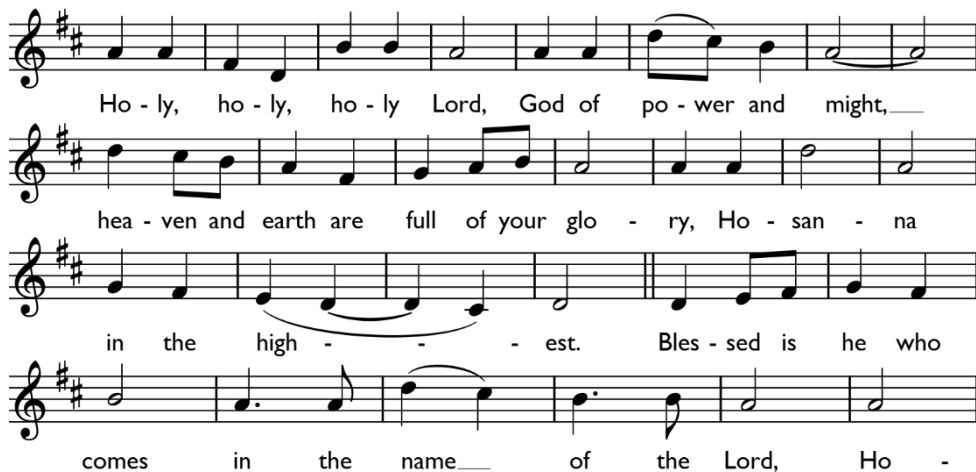
Lift up your hearts.

**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.**

It is indeed right and good  
that we should give you thanks, praise and glory,  
almighty and everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
For after his resurrection  
he sent out his apostles and evangelists  
to preach the gospel to all nations  
and lead us in the way of truth.  
Himself the chief cornerstone,  
he founded his Church upon the apostles  
firmly to stand for ever  
as a sign of your holiness upon earth  
and a living witness to all  
of the way that leads to heaven.  
And so with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
we lift our voices  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might, —  
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na  
in the high - - - est. Bles - sed is he who  
comes in the name — of the Lord, Ho -



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **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

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*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

Nocturne in F Op.104 No.1 – William Faulkes

## Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;  
through 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.**

## **Notices**

### **The Dismissal**

#### **Final Hymn**

*Please stand.*

**Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim, and Thrones,  
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!  
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,  
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**O higher than the Cherubim,  
More glorious than the Seraphim,  
Lead their praises, Alleluya!  
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,  
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,  
Alleluya! Alleluya!  
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,  
All Saints triumphant, raise the song,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluya! Alleluya!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!**

*Athelstan Riley (1858-1945) Tune: Lasst uns erfreuen*

## The Blessing

The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations,  
bring you, with all the saints,  
to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city;  
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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

## Music after the Service

‘Alleluya’ Festal Postlude on the tune ‘Lasst und erfreuen’ – *William Faulkes*

***You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.***

## Notices

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### Harvest Festival

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival service. At the service there will be an opportunity to say thank you to God for all the gifts of the harvest, in its many forms, and to share God’s bounty with those who are less fortunate. We will be sending all food and hygiene donations to our mission partners, Bow Food Bank and the Hygiene Bank. Please bring your tinned, carton or packet donations to the service on 5<sup>th</sup> October, or drop off at the church in the weeks to come. Please ensure your donations are in date.

### Taizé Workshop

We will be holding a workshop on Saturday 8 November. It will be an opportunity to learn new Taizé Chants and prepare for a service of Taizé Prayer at the end of the day. The workshop is open to anyone, but space in the Porch Room is limited. Please sign up at <http://bit.ly/4gp1lrO> or scan the QR code.





# 1350 Anniversary Celebrations

## Harvest Festival Celebration Weekend

**Thursday 2 to Sunday 5 October 2025**

We're looking forward to an extended weekend celebrating our 1350 anniversary. Please join us for these events:

2-5 October: **Exhibition of embroideries and sculpture** by Jacque Binns, including some of the vestments she made for All Hallows

4 October, 3.30pm: **Choral Evensong** with the Dover Community Youth Choir

5 October, 11am: **Harvest Festival Eucharist**

**Poet in Residence:** At various points throughout September and the start of October, Kevin Scully, our Poet in Residence will be at All Hallows. Kevin's work has won a number of prizes, been longlisted for others and has been published in print and online journals. He was the inaugural Poet in Residence on the Cuckmere Pilgrim Path in Sussex. The pamphlet, *For The Journey*, was published as a result of his time there. He has an MA from the Poetry School in London. Following his residency, Kevin will be presenting his poems to All Hallows. [www.kevin-scully.com](http://www.kevin-scully.com)

*"Here, people (men) will say in ages to come, is faith.*

*Here Beauty conquered Ugliness, and Courage vanquishes Despair.*

*Sursum Corda."*

*Tubby Clayton, 1953*

### **Taizé Prayers on 8 October**

At the Taizé Prayer service on Wednesday 8 October we will keep the feast of St Ethelburga. Our friends from the Company of Entrepreneurs will join us for the service. Everyone is welcome at 6pm.



**An Evening Celebration of  
Fashion and Music  
At St Mary at Hill, Lovat Lane,  
EC3R 8EE  
Sunday 5 October 2025, 6pm**

This magical evening will showcase two fashion presentations enriched by beautiful musical interludes.

- With a unique vision of fashion design, **Florin Burescu** is conquering the world with his talent. His creations have captured and fascinated the eyes of the whole world. Florin's fashion shows include unique pieces, with a very well-structured design, drawn in bold shapes.
- London based fashion designer, **Ella Barker**, will display a range of her sustainable fashion creations, some of which were presented at London Fashion Week. Ella's designs always emphasise femininity, resulting in a wonderful combination of style and practicality.
- Cristian Sandrin is a talented British-Romanian Pianist who will play a range of British compositions from across the ages
- Soprano Vivien Zoltan is renowned for her expressive vocal artistry and captivating stage presence. Accompanied by Cristian Sandrin

Tickets cost £30 including a glass of prosecco or a soft drink at the end of the presentation, giving guests an opportunity to socialise before leaving. Or you can enjoy a VIP Experience with a reserved front row seat and glass of prosecco on arrival for £50. Tickets can be reserved via Eventbrite.

## **The Week Ahead**

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### **Church Opening Times**

Monday-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 22 September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### **Tuesday 23 September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### **Wednesday 24 September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

6pm Taizé Prayer

#### **Thursday 25 September**

8.30am Said Eucharist

4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### **Friday 26 September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

#### **Saturday 27 September**

No services

### **Sunday 28 September: Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity with Baptism**

11am Parish Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Nicol Kinrade

### **Taizé Prayer – 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](https://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](mailto:parish@ahbtt.org.uk)**.*

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

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## ***The Team at All Hallows***

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