

Sunday next before Lent

Sunday 15 February 2026, 11.00am

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

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

Voluntarie – *John Hingeston*

Organist: David Cook

The Gathering

Hymn

Please stand.

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.**

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old.**

**Fulfiller of the past,
Promise of things to be,
We hail thy body glorified
And our redemption see.**

**Before we taste of death,
We see thy kingdom come;
We fain would hold the vision bright
And make this hill our home.**

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here.
Yet we may not remain;
But since thou bidst us leave the mount,
Come with us to the plain.**

J Armitage Robinson (1858-1933) Tune: Carlisle

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

Please sit or kneel.

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

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.

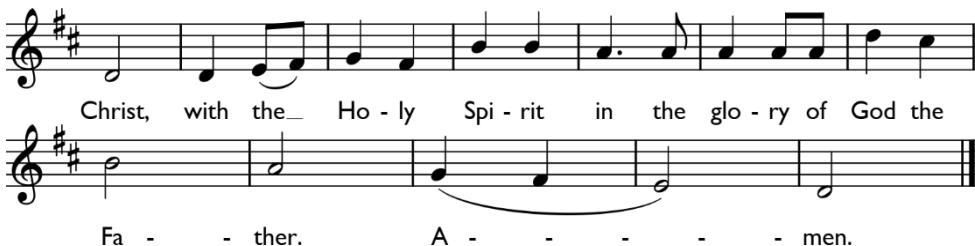
Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

Please stand.

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
Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
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: Exodus 24.12-end

read by Kate Price

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 2
sung by Martin Carr

Hap - py are all who take re - fuge in him.



Why are the nations in tumult,
and why do the peoples devise a vain plot?
The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his anointed:
'Let us break their bonds asunder
and cast away their cords from us.' R/

He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn;
the Lord shall have them in derision.
Then shall he speak to them in his wrath
and terrify them in his fury:
'Yet have I set my king
upon my holy hill of Zion.' R/

I will proclaim the decree of the Lord;
he said to me: 'You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.
'Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.
'You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.' R/

Now therefore be wise, O kings;
be prudent, you judges of the earth.
Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet,
lest he be angry and you perish from the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Happy are all they who take refuge in him. R/

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1.16-end

read by John Price

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17.1-9

Please stand and face the Gospel.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

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 Jane Cruse

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

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by his cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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.

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore;

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains
He took his seat above;

**His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and Heav'n,
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given;**

**He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:**

Charles Wesley (1707-88) Tune: Gopsal

The Preparation of the Table

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 for ever.

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.

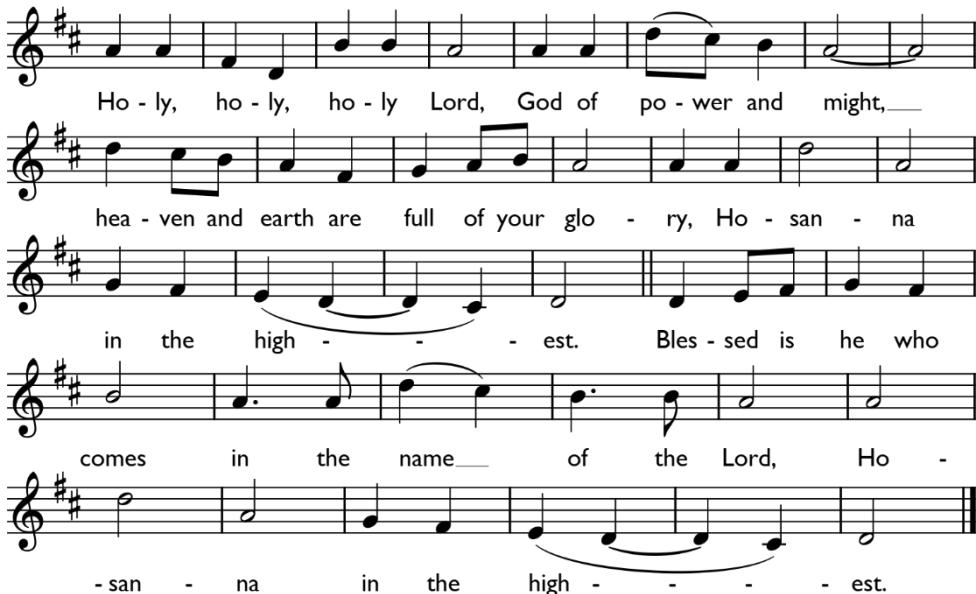
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.
And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,

the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.
And so, with choirs of angels
and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song of praise:



We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

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

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
- way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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

Valter unser im Himmelreich BWV 737 – J S Bach

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask 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.

**Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.**

**Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return
Till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.**

**Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.**

Charles Wesley (1707-88) Tune: Ratisbon

The Blessing

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.

All **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Music after the Service

Marche Militaire – Percy Buck

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

Notices

Pilgrimage of Hope

Please stay after the service today when RCM violinist Anthony Knight will perform a 15-minute recital in aid of UNICEF.

As part of his pilgrimage, Anthony will be playing short recitals in more than 20 churches in London. For us he will play:
Ave Maria by Schubert; Schindler's List Theme by John Williams; Meditation from Thais by Massene



Thank you from the Hygiene Bank

Our volunteers Kathy and Andrew were on hand with Michael last week when Sarah Radford called in to pick up donations for the Hygiene Bank. Later that day, Revd Nick Mottershead posted on Social Media saying “*Some days are great days! The fabulous hygiene bank volunteer, Sarah Radford, went to All Hallows by the Tower to collect this huge donation of hygiene products. Thank you to Revd Nicol Kinrade and team, and all their generous community for these products.*” Thank you to everyone who continues to bring items for both the hygiene bank and food bank.

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Two Cities Eco-tip

In Lent, how can we use these 40 days to live more sustainably?

<https://arocha.org.uk/go-green-for-lent/>

A warm welcome

We are looking for new people to join our Welcoming team. The role involves welcoming people before the Sunday service, providing any assistance and answering general queries, and assisting with the Offertory. If you could offer one Sunday every one or two months, we would love to hear from you. We will provide you with training, including Safeguarding, and arrange for a Basic DBS check. Please speak to the Vicar or a Churchwarden.

Are you interested in being confirmed as a full member of the Church of England?

For anyone who is already baptised, confirmation provides an opportunity to own this decision for yourself. If you wish to be confirmed but have not already been initiated into the Church, you can be baptised by the Bishop within the confirmation service itself. There is no strict age limit for confirmation candidates. However, you will need to be able to understand the promises that you are making. There will be an opportunity for confirmation at a service in St Paul’s Cathedral on Holy Saturday (the day before Easter) which this year is Saturday 4 April. If you are interested, and would like more information, please speak to any member of the clergy team

A thank-you invitation to All Hallows' parishioners

Wolf Hall Weekend, Saturday June 6, 2026

David Holland, the founder and organiser of the Wolf Hall Weekend writes:

As a thank-you to All Hallows by the Tower for hosting Wolf Hall Weekend, a celebration of the life and work of the late Dame Hilary Mantel taking place on June 6th - 2026, we would like to extend a private, congregation-only invitation to attend one full day of the event at a significantly reduced rate.

This one-day ticket gives access to all talks and discussions, held within the church, alongside our visiting expert historians, famous writers, and celebrity speakers.

Also includes an evening performance of a staged reading of The Mirror and The Light adaptation by Hilary Mantel and Ben Miles.

Congregation concessionary one-day ticket: £195 and includes refreshment, lunch and pre-performance drinks.(standard full-weekend ticket: £495)

Buy here: <https://buy.stripe.com/5kQ7sLaMjfUz9l9dm75ZC0b>

For a more information on our expert speakers, led by Rev. Sir. Professor Diamaid MacCulloch and Dr. Tracy Borman OBE, exhibitions and the evening performance of Hilary Mantel's The Mirror and the Light see here: wolfhallweekend.com

A limited number of these tickets have been set aside exclusively for members of the All Hallows' congregation and are offered in appreciation of the church's generosity in welcoming us into this extraordinary space.

Tickets are limited and allocated on a first-come basis.

Faith in the Public Square

All Hallows by the Tower and Byward Restaurant

Tuesday 3rd March 12-2 pm

We are looking forward to the next Faith in the Public Square event with our friends from the Worshipful Company of World Traders. This month, The Master will be in discussion with Lord Michael Hastings. We will focus on his times as governance director at the BBC, the global lead for external engagement and sustainability, and his work through and in the House of Lords as one of its senior black members.

You can book your place by contacting the Clerk, Liz Garner, on clerk@world-traders.org

The Week Ahead

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 16 February

8.30am Morning Prayer
4.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 17 February

8.30am Morning Prayer
4.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 18 February

8.30am Morning Prayer
12.30pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist
6pm Taizé Prayer

Thursday 19 February

8.30am Said Eucharist
4.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 20 February

8.30am Morning Prayer
4.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 21 February

10am Morning Prayer
4.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 22 February: First Sunday of Lent

11am Parish Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Dr John Barker

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.

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

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