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for the Sung Eucharist

Sunday 18 August 2019

11.00 am

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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Music before the Service

Prelude on the Welsh hymn tune "Rhosymedre" - R. Vaughan Williams

The Gathering

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

**The Lord will come and not be slow;
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall go,
His royal harbinger.**

**Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
Shall bud and blossom then,
And justice, from her heavenly bower,
Look down on mortal men.**

**Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shall by right
The nations all possess.**

**The nations all whom thou hast made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee, Lord!
And glorify thy name!**

**For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest God alone.**

John Milton (1608-74) Tune: St Stephen

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**

Prayers of Confession

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

Let us confess our sins to the God who knows our hearts and longs to embrace us and restore us to life.

Silence is kept.

For the times we have failed to recognise and be thankful for the bounteous gifts of God.

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy**

For the times we have failed to share the gifts we have received with others
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy**

For the times we have considered only our own self-interest
and ignored the cry of the world,
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, in your forgiving, inspire us
with new ways of living so that we may journey together towards a world of
justice and peace and harmony, as one family.

All **Amen**

All sing the **Gloria**

All **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

Remain standing for **The Collect**

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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: Jeremiah 23.23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back - those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

Remain seated for the **Psalm: 82**

Andrew Moore

Response

v. 8

A-rise, O God and judge the earth.



God has taken his stand in the council of heaven;
in the midst of the gods he gives judgement:
How long will you judge unjustly and show such favour to the wicked?
You were to judge the weak and the orphan;
defend the right of the humble and needy; **R/**

‘Rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.
‘They have no knowledge or wisdom;
they walk on still in darkness:
all the foundations of the earth are shaken. **R/**

‘Therefore I say that though you are gods
and all of you children of the Most High,
Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals
and fall like one of their princes.’
Arise, O God and judge the earth,
for it is you that shall take all nations for your possession. **R/**

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 11.29-12.2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection.

Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

All stand and turn to face the gospel as the reader leads **The Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospel Reading: Luke 12.49-56

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**

‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth?

No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All **Praise to you O Christ.**

Please sit for **The Sermon**
Martin Carr

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

God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

The Offertory

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 using one of the Gift Aid envelopes which are available in the pews.

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

**Father of heaven, whose love profound
a ransom for our souls hath found,
before thy throne we sinners bend;
to us thy pardoning love extend.**

**Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
before thy throne we sinners bend;
to us thy saving grace extend.**

**Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
the soul is raised from sin and death,
before thy throne we sinners bend;
to us thy quickening power extend.**

**Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son –
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
before thy throne we sinners bend;
grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen**

Edward Cooper (1770-1833) Tune: Rievaulx

All **Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

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.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all things have come into being. You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own. Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and singing:

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.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness. Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all he 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 we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with Mary and all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in 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. **Amen.**

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

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread**

Agnus Dei

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

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

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

The president invites the congregation to receive communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

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

Remain seated for the **Communion hymn**

**Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest;
No, let us be your guests and with you dine;
At your own table now be manifest
In your own sacrament of bread and wine.**

**We meet as in the upper room they met;
Now at the table, blessing, yet you stand:
'This is my body': this you give us yet;
Faith still receives the cup as from your hand.**

**One body we, one body who partake,
One church united in communion blessed;
One name we bear, one bread of life we break,
With all your saints on earth and saints at rest.**

**One with each other, Lord, and one in you,
Who are one Saviour and one living head;
Open our eyes to see with vision true;
Be known to us in breaking of the bread.**

GW Briggs (1875-1959) Tune: Ellers

Please remain seated or kneel for the **Post Communion Prayer**

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

All **Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

Banns, Notices and Announcements

Please stand for **the Blessing and Dismissal**

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

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

Remain standing for the final hymn

**Jesus, where'er thy people meet,
There they behold thy mercy seat;
Where'er they seek thee thou art found,
And every place is hallowed ground.**

**For thou, within no walls confined,
Inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring thee where they come,
And, going, take thee to their home.**

**Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
Thy former mercies here renew;
Here, to our waiting hearts, proclaim
The sweetness of thy saving name.**

**Here may we prove the power of prayer
To strengthen faith and sweeten care;
To teach our faint desires to rise,
And bring all heaven before our eyes.**

**Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
Nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
And make a thousand hearts thine own!**

William Cowper (1731-1800) Tune: Wareham

Please remain standing whilst the clergy and servers depart.

Music after the Service
Trumpet Tune and Air - Henry Purcell

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

The Week Ahead

Monday 19 August

8.30am: Morning Prayer

Tuesday 20 August

8.30am: Morning Prayer

1.00pm: Lunchtime Eucharist

Wednesday 21 August

8.30am: Morning Prayer

6.00pm: Taizé Service

Thursday 22 August

8.30am: Eucharist

Friday 23 August

No services today

Saturday 24 August

No services today

Sunday 25 August - The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am: Sung Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Katherine Hedderly

Readings: Isaiah 58.9b-end; Psalm 103.1-8; Hebrews 12.18-end; Luke 13.10-17

Monday 26 August

BANK HOLIDAY - CHURCH CLOSED

FREE GUIDED TOURS - most weekday afternoons between 2-4pm

Led by our qualified Guides, these tours present an ideal opportunity to discover the church in more detail and hear about the long and fascinating history of All Hallows.

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If you would to have an informal chat with one of the clergy to talk through any concerns, contact Sophia on 020 7481 2928 or email: chaplaincy@ahbtt.org.uk

MEETING ROOMS FOR HIRE

We have two first floor meeting rooms available for day time meetings for charity and community use - the Porch Room for mid-size meetings, and the Counselling Room for smaller meetings. Contact the church office for details of rates and availability.

Notices

PARISH REFLECTIVE DAY - Saturday 7 September, 10am-3.30pm

Salt & Light: deepening our faith, growing in Christ

Following on from our vision sessions in June, all members of the congregation are invited to come for a day of reflection, which will include prayer and worship, bible study and small groups, as we explore our calling to be salt of the earth and light for the world. This will be held at the Vicarage and the cost is £5, payable on the day. RSVP to Angie in the parish office (parish@ahbtt.org.uk) so that we know numbers, and please indicate if you have any dietary requirements.

ORGAN RECITALS - SUMMER BREAK

Please note that there will be a short break in the recital series during August, and the programme will resume on Thursday 12 September at 1.10pm.

FAITH COURSE - Sundays 15 September-20 October, 9.30-10.30am

We will be running a 6 week Pilgrim Course on the theme of The Beatitudes on Sunday mornings from 9.30-10.30am. This will take place immediately before the service, and breakfast will be available. Please put the dates (15, 22, 29 September, 6, 13, 20 October) in your diary and further details will be available shortly.

PARISH WALK & PICNIC ON CAR FREE DAY - Sunday 22 September

We will be arranging a walk around the parish on Car Free Sunday, in order to enjoy exploring the City in a traffic-free environment. This will conclude with a parish picnic at St Dunstan in the East (weather permitting), so do bring along a packed lunch and join us after the service. Please speak to Martin for more details.

TOWER HAMLETS FOODBANK 'LOVE SUMMER' APPEAL

Love Summer aims to alleviate the strain on families affected by not receiving free school meals during the holidays. They need extra donations to help them meet the needs of the summer scheme as well as the weekly foodbank sessions, so please add something extra to your shopping list and bring it along. You can also help them financially by putting a cash gift in a church gift aid envelope - just write 'Foodbank' on it and drop it into one of the donation boxes.

THE EUCHARIST IN SIX OBJECTS - Saturday 21 September, 2-4.30pm in the Wren Suite at St Paul's Cathedral

Jesus commanded us to share bread and wine in remembrance of him. Canon James Milne, Precentor of St Paul's, says it is a place where past, present and future collide, heaven and earth meet, and lives are transformed. But do we really experience it like that? This workshop will uncover the sacrament's layers of meaning through six objects, from the everyday to precious works of art. Cost £15 (bursaries available) - book your place at: www.stpauls.co.uk/learning-faith/adult-learning

THE TEAM AT ALL HALLOWS

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