



# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

## **The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**Sunday 27 September 2020, 11.00am**

**ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER  
BYWARD STREET, LONDON EC3R 5BJ**

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# Welcome

**to all who are joining us in church today or online via Zoom.**

For those in church, we will be using the Lady Chapel and north aisle. Please help us all to 'pray safe' by following the Covid-19 guidelines by:

- \* Keeping 2m apart.
- \* Wearing a face covering, which is mandatory in places of worship.
- \* Using the hand sanitiser on your way into and out of church, and at the table at the front before receiving communion.
- \* Completing the Test and Trace contact details form on entry.
- \* Sitting in the seats that are marked, with only one person in each short pew unless members of the same household.
- \* Using the order of service already placed on your seat and taking this home with you.
- \* Sharing the Peace in a non-contact way, such as with the British Sign Language (BSL) Sign.
- \* Refraining from singing.
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**Thank you.**



## 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.**

## Hymn

*Sung by St Martin's Voices*

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
Formed thee for his own abode:  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.**

**See, the streams of living waters,  
Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and daughters,  
And all fear of want remove:  
Who can faint, while such a river  
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord the giver,  
Never fails from age to age.**

**Saviour, if of Zion's city  
I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name:  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
All his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasure  
None but Zion's children know.**

John Newton (1725-1807)

## Prayers of Confession

Hear the words of our Saviour Jesus Christ: 'I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me shall never walk in darkness but shall have the light of life.'

Let us therefore bring our sins into God's light and confess them in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

**All** Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, 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 lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. 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. **Amen.**

### The Gloria

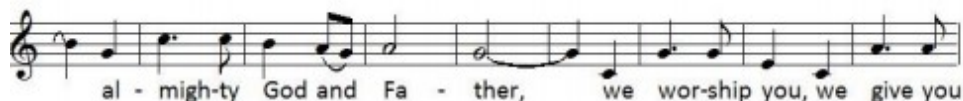
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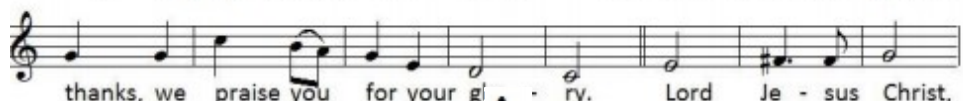
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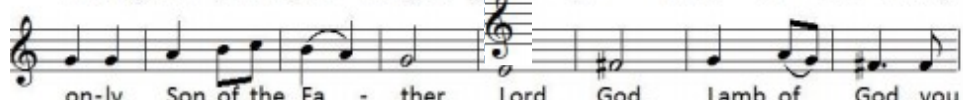
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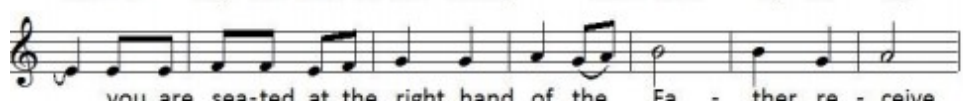
thanks, we praise you for your gl - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,



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take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;



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our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -  
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## The Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 18.1-4,25-32

*Read by Harriet Plyler*

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

### **New Testament Reading:** Philippians 2.1-13

*Read by Sarah Kiernan*

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure..

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 21.23-32

All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

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

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Reflection**

*Martin Carr*

## **Apostles' Creed**

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**



**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*Led by Siobhan Martin*

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 Peace**

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*We share the Peace using the British Sign Language (BSL) sign.*

## **The Preparation of the Table**

*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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

*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, 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 Mary and 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. **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**

*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.**

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.**

*The priest receives using the words 'The Body and Blood of Christ' and all say 'Amen'.*

*Communion will be administered in one kind in front of the altar. Please use the hand sanitiser provided if you wish to receive the bread, and form a line maintaining 2m distancing. Blessings can be given as the sign of the cross, though the priest will remain silent. Please return to your seat continuing to maintain physical distancing.*

## **A Prayer of Spiritual Communion for those at home**

**All Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.**

## **Music during Communion**

'Like the murmur of the dove's song' by Alan Smith  
*sung by Jonathan Gregson*

## **Prayer after Communion**

**All Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

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.**

## **Hymn**

*Sung by St Martin's Voices*

**All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine,  
Yielding your glory in your love's design,  
That in our darkened hearts your grace might shine:  
Alleluia!**

**You came to us in lowliness of thought;  
By you the outcast and the poor were sought;  
And by your death was our redemption bought:  
Alleluia!**

**The mind of Christ is as our minds should be:  
He was a servant that we might be free,  
Humbling himself to death on Calvary:  
Alleluia!**

**Let every tongue confess with one accord,  
In heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
And God the Father be by all adored:  
Alleluia!**

Francis Bland Tucker (1895-1984)  
based on Philippians 2.5-11  
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# Notices

## **THE RIVER OF PRAYER - A prayer resource on climate justice**

During this season of Creationtide you will find our River of Prayer at the main altar. This will be a focus for prayer and reflection for all who visit All Hallows to reflect on climate justice. Developed by Christian Aid, this prayer resource takes its inspiration from Amos 5.24:- *'Let justice roll on like a river, and righteousness like a never-ending stream.'*

## **LONDON MARATHON THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

**Saturday 3 October, 6pm on Zoom**

Although the 40th London Marathon on 4 October is not happening in the usual way because of the pandemic, runners are taking part by running the 26.2 miles from their own homes, while the elite race will take place in St James' Park. This means that charities will still be supported, and keeps alight the spirit of the marathon. We will continue our prayers for the event by holding our annual service online, which will feature a contribution from Bishop Libby Lane, the lead bishop for sports. Log in to the service via our website at: [www.ahbtt.org.uk/news/marathon.php](http://www.ahbtt.org.uk/news/marathon.php)

Martin Carr will be running his 14th London Marathon, raising funds in support of ActionAid and their amazing work among some of the world's poorest communities and you can sponsor him at: [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/martincarr2020](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/martincarr2020)

## **'FAITH IN THE CITY' EXHIBITION - Guildhall Yard, 3-28 October**

A free exhibition of large scale photos from Niki Gorick's book (including pictures of All Hallows) is being held in Guildhall Yard in October, offering a great opportunity to see the images right in the heart of The Square Mile. The exhibition will move to Aldgate Square from 29 October-26 November. Do go along to see them if you can - more details at: [www.ourcitytogether.london/do/faith-in-the-city](http://www.ourcitytogether.london/do/faith-in-the-city)

## **RESTORING HOPE: IN CONVERSATION WITH RUTH AND ROWAN**

**Wednesday 28 October, 7.30pm (online event)**

JustShare and ECCR present an evening of conversation with the Most Revd Rowan Williams (former Archbishop of Canterbury) and Dr Ruth Valerio (Global Advocacy and Influencing Director, Tearfund) as they discuss personal finance and the economy in light of the Christian faith. To register, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/y3xbquq8>

## **GIVING TO ALL HALLOWS**

During these challenging times our income has been significantly reduced and we encourage everyone who can to continue to support All Hallows. You can donate by credit card at [www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate](http://www.ahbtt.org.uk/donate) or by QR code on your phone. You can also pay by bank transfer directly to our account (email [parish@ahbtt.org.uk](mailto:parish@ahbtt.org.uk) for details) or by sending a cheque to the parish office. Thank you.

## CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Monday:	11.00am-2.00pm
Tuesday-Friday:	11.00am-5.00pm
Saturday:	Closed
Sunday:	12 noon-2.00pm (following the 11am Eucharist)

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## REGULAR SERVICES

*The All Hallows community is meeting in person and online during the Coronavirus pandemic. We look forward to welcoming you at our services.*

### SUNDAY SERVICE at 11am

We hold a Eucharist Service each Sunday at 11am in the church, and you can also join us online via Zoom.

### ONLINE MORNING PRAYER

#### Wednesdays at 8.30am on Zoom

We meet online for Morning Prayer to enjoy a time of prayer and peace at the start of the day. The service lasts about 20 minutes and we use the 'Daily Prayer' app ([www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray](http://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray)).

### ONLINE TAIZÉ SERVICE

#### Wednesday 30 September, 6pm on Zoom

We hold an online service of Taizé prayer every two weeks, with the music of the Taizé community, bible readings, prayers, reflections and silence.

The next service will be on 30 September.

**To find out how to join our worship online, please visit our website:**

**[www.ahbtt.org.uk/online-worship](http://www.ahbtt.org.uk/online-worship)**

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## UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ON ZOOM

Saturday 3 October, 6pm	Marathon Service
Sunday 4 October, 11am	Harvest Service
Sunday 18 October, 11am	St Luke
Sunday 1 November, 11am	Patronal Festival
Monday 2 November, 12.30pm	All Souls ( <i>in church only</i> )

## THE TEAM AT ALL HALLOWS

<b>Vicar:</b>	The Rev'd Katherine Hedderly
<b>Associate Vicar:</b>	The Rev'd Sophia Acland
<b>Licensed Lay Minister:</b>	Martin Carr
<b>Operations &amp; Finance Manager:</b>	Angie Poppitt
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