

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity and St Michael and All Angels

Sunday 29 September 2024, 11.00am

President and Preacher:
The Revd Jennifer Midgley-Adam

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WELCOME

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

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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.

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Music before the Service

Prelude on the hymn-tune 'East Acklam' – Francis Jackson Organist: Jonathan Melling

The Gathering

Hymn

Please stand.

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest, who ran this earthly race, and now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face, his praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; take what he gives and praise him still, through good and ill, who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above, and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love; let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.

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.

Prayers of Confession

Please sit or kneel.

My sisters and brothers, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

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.



The Collect

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

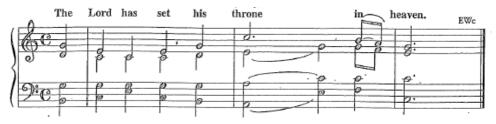
First Reading: Genesis 28.10-17 read by David Ritchie

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place - and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103.19-22 sung by Sarah Walker



The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom has dominion over all. Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding and hearken to the voice of his word. **R**/

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will. Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; bless the Lord, O my soul. **R**/

Second Reading Revelation 12.7-12 read by Tilia Midgley-Adam

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them!

But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 1.47-51

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 John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Revd Jennifer Midgley-Adam

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

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 The Revd Jennifer Midgley-Adam* 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

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you are called to 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 beace.

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.

Angel-voices ever singing round thy throne of light, angel-harps forever ringing, rest not day nor night; thousands only live to bless thee and confess thee Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest mortal eye can scan, can it be that thou regardest songs of sinful man?
Can we feel that thou art near us and wilt hear us?
Yea, we can.

Yea, we know thou rejoicest o'er each work of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design; craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine. In thy house, great God we offer of thine own to thee; and for thine acceptance proffer all unworthily hearts and minds and hands and voices in our choicest psalmody.

Honor, glory, might, and merit thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, blessèd Trinity: of the best that thou hast given earth and heaven render thee.

Francis Pott (1832-1909) Tune: Angel Voices

The Preparation of the Table

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.

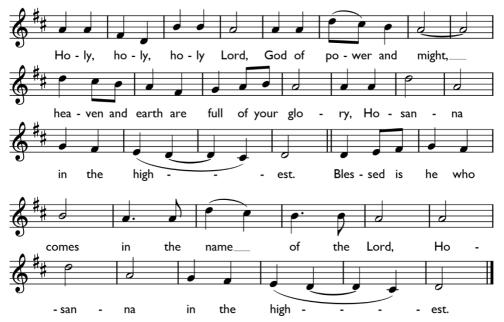
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 Blesséd 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 singing:



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 the Blesséd Virgin 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:

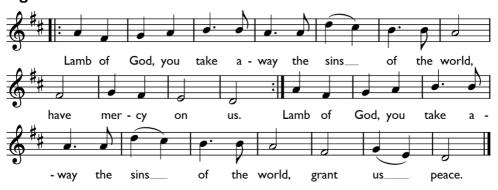
All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine 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



Invitation to Communion

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

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

Interludium (Pastorale) - Alfred Baum

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Notices

The Dismissal

Final Hymn

Please stand.

Around the throne of God a band of glorious angels ever stand; bright things they see, sweet harps they hold, and on their heads are crowns of gold.

Some wait around him, ready still to sing his praise and do his will; and some, when he commands them, go to guard his servants here below.

Lord, give thy angels every day command to guide us on our way, and bid them every evening keep their watch around us while we sleep.

So shall no wicked thing draw near, to do us harm or cause us fear; and we shall dwell, when life is past, with angels round thy throne at last.

J.M. Neale (1818-1866) Tune: Solothurn

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.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Music after the Service

Tuba Tune – C. S. Lang

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

Notices

Summer Book Group

Over August and September, we will be reading together Paula Gooder's book Phoebe. There will be one more session to conclude our reading on either Wednesday 2nd October at 7pm after our Taizé service, or Sunday 6th October at 1pm after the Eucharist.

All sessions will be in church and on Zoom. To join on Zoom, the Meeting ID is: 250 357 9239. Passcode: M7K4Bw

Looking Closer, Looking Deeper

Podcast Episode 8 is now out! "Faithful unto death – The Bishop Fisher Triptych" To listen, go to **www.spotify.com** and search for 'All Hallows by the Tower', or use link: https://rb.gy/yqozty

Collecting for Bow Foodbank and the Square Mile Hygiene Bank

You can donate to the Bow Foodbank and the Square Mile Hygiene Bank by using the collection boxes in church. The Bow Foodbank accepts non-perishable, in date, unopened and labelled food, and the Hygiene Bank accepts new, unused, in-date personal care and household cleaning essentials; your donations can make a real difference to those in need in our local area.

Two Cities EcoTips

Consider cloth or paper diapers; most nappies are made with plastic and are loading up landfills by the ton.

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 30 September

No services today

Tuesday I October 8.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 2 October

8.30am Morning Prayer 6pm Taizé Prayer **Thursday 3 October** 8.30am Said Eucharist

Friday 4 October 8.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday 5 October

No services today

Sunday 6 October: The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity I Iam Parish Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Jennifer Midgley-Adam

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

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Byward Kitchen & Bar

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