



## **The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

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Sunday 26 January 2025, 11.00am

President:  
**The Revd Jennifer Midgley-Adam**

Preacher:  
**The Revd Dr John Barker**

# 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.**



## **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.

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## Music Before the Service

Voluntary in D Op.6 no.1 – *John Stanley*

Organist: David Cook

## The Gathering

*Please stand.*

### Hymn

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed,  
Great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free,  
To take away transgression,  
And rule in equity.**

**He comes with succour speedy  
To those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in his sight.**

**O'er every foe victorious,  
He on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All blessing and all-blest.  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand forever;  
That name to us is Love.**

*James Montgomery (1771-1854) Tune: Crüger*

### Welcome and Introduction

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

*All* **From the rising of the sun to its setting  
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

*Words of welcome and introduction are said.*

## **Prayers of Confession**

*Please sit or kneel.*

The grace of God has dawned upon the world  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.  
Let us confess our sins.

*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.**

The almighty and merciful Lord  
grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,  
time for amendment of life,  
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.  
**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  
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - - ther. A - - - - - men.

## The Collect

Let us pray  
Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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

**First Reading:** Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10 *read by David Risley*

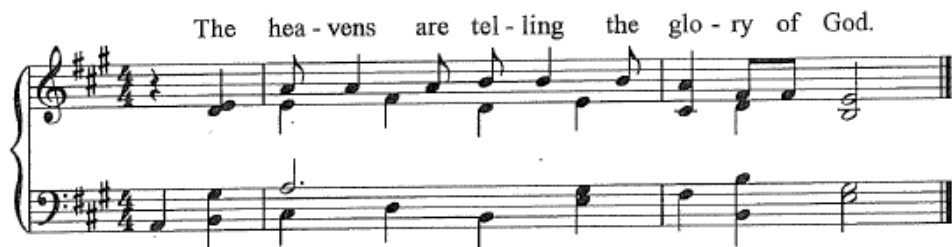
All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated for **The Psalm: 19** sung by Dorothy Lawrence



The heavens are telling the glory of God  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.  
One day pours out its song to another  
and one night unfolds knowledge to another. **R/**

They have neither speech nor language  
and their voices are not heard,  
Yet their sound has gone out into all lands  
and their words to the ends of the world. **R/**

In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun,  
that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber  
and rejoices as a champion to run his course. **R/**

It goes forth from the end of the heavens  
and runs to the very end again,  
and there is nothing hidden from its heat. **R/**

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a read by David Ritchie

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less

honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

*All stand and face the Gospel for the* **Gospel Acclamation**

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 4.14-21

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*All* **Alleluia, 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.**

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’



And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please sit.*

## **The Sermon**

The Revd Dr John Barker

## **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 The Revd Nicol Kinrade*

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**

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All And also with you.**

*Deacon:* Let us offer one another 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.*

**Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,  
manifested by the star  
to the sages from afar;  
branch of royal David's stem  
in thy birth at Bethlehem;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
Prophet, Priest and King supreme;  
and at Cana, wedding guest,  
in thy Godhead manifest;  
manifest in power divine,  
changing water into wine;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest in making whole  
palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
manifest in valiant fight,  
quelling all the devil's might;  
manifest in gracious will,  
ever bringing good from ill;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.**

**Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
all will see his glorious sign;  
all will then the trumpet hear,  
all will see the Judge appear;  
thou by all wilt be confessed,  
God in man made manifest.**

**Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
mirrored in thy holy word;  
may we imitate thee now,  
and be pure, as pure art thou;  
that we like to thee may be  
at thy great Epiphany;  
and may praise thee, ever blest,  
God in man made manifest.**

*C Wordsworth (1807-85) Tune: St Edmund*

## **The Preparation of the Table**

Lord, accept your people's gifts,  
not gold, frankincense or myrrh,  
but hearts and voices raised in praise  
of Jesus Christ, our light and our salvation.  
**Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

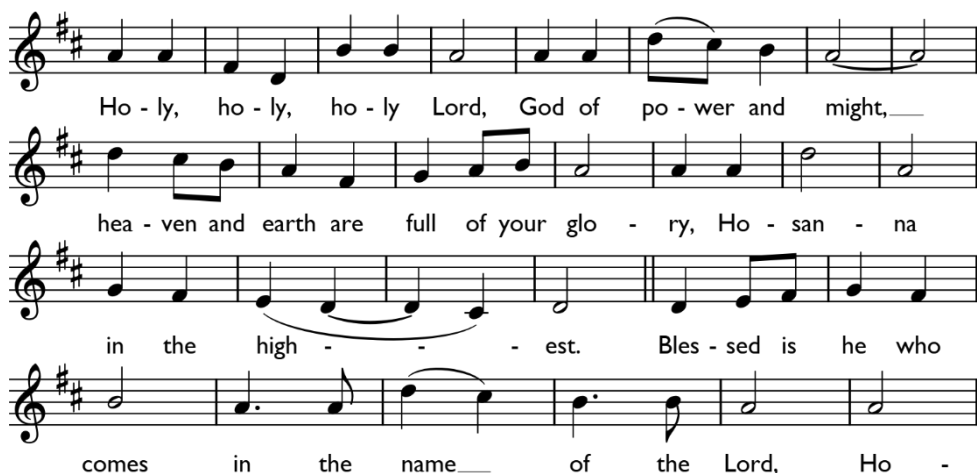
Lift up your hearts.  
*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty creator, ever-living God,  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the magi  
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.  
In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
the Saviour sent to redeem us.  
In the water made wine  
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.  
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful 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 -



- san - na in the high - - - est.

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.

*Deacon:* 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 Blessed 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**

Believing the promises of God,  
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

God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people  
**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*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

*What child is this? – Music 'Greensleeves' Trad. English melody*

## Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illuminated by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
**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**

*Please stand.*

## **Hymn**

**O** for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

**Jesus!** the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.

**He** breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
he sets the prisoner free:  
his blood can make the foulest clean;  
his blood availed for me.

**He** speaks and listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.

**Hear** him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!



**My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honours of thy name.**

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Tune: Richmond*

## **The Blessing**

The Lord be with you

*All* **And also with you**

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory  
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

## **Music after the Service**

Coronation March from "The Prophet" – G. Meyerbeer

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

## Notices

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### **Looking Closer, Looking Deeper**

Podcast episode 10 is now out! “Ring Out Wild Bells; The McConnell Chime”  
To listen, go to [www.spotify.com](http://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.

### **Are you considering Licensed Lay Ministry?**

If anyone is interested in exploring a vocation to lay or ordained ministry, you are warmly encouraged to speak to one of the clergy team who would be happy to discuss it with you.

The Diocese of London are offering on Zoom, a short session to explore licensed lay ministry. They will discuss what licensed lay ministry is, the discernment and training process, and provide an opportunity for questions and further information.

The meeting is on Tuesday 18 February at 7pm

Please speak to the clergy if you would like to know more.

### **Lovers’ Vows**

Kate Glover (Price) sent this message about a play that she is in and also producing (*not directing*).

The production of **LOVERS’ VOWS** by Historia Theatre Company from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January to Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February opens at the Brockley Jack Theatre.

It is a great story by trailblazing playwright Elizabeth Inchbald, covering love, broken promises, redemption and comedy. It was the hit of the season in 1798 at Covent Garden and dominates the action in Jane Austen’s *Mansfield Park*. We are playing from January 21<sup>st</sup> until February 1<sup>st</sup> at **THE BROCKLEY JACK THEATRE**. Tickets from <https://brockleyjack.co.uk/> Evening performances Monday to Saturday at 7.30, and 2 Saturday matinees at 3pm.

## **The Week Ahead**

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### **Church Opening Times**

Monday-Friday: 8am-5pm      Saturday-Sunday: 10am-5pm

### **Services at All Halls**

You are welcome to join us for any of our services in church.  
Our Sunday Eucharist and Taizé services are streamed on Zoom.

#### **Monday 27 January**

*No services today*

#### **Tuesday 28 January**

8.30am Morning Prayer

#### **Wednesday 29 December**

8.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Taizé Prayers

#### **Thursday 30 January**

8.30am: Holy Communion

#### **Friday 31 January**

8.30m: Morning Prayer

#### **Saturday 1 February**

*No services today*

### **Sunday 2 February: The Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

11am Parish Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Nicol Kinrade

### **Next Taizé Prayer – Wednesday 22 January at 6pm**

This service will take 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)**.

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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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