



Order of Service  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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Sunday 3 May 2026, 11am

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](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**

Air for French Horns and Flutes – *John Reading*

Organist: David Cook

### **The Gathering**

#### **Hymn**

*Please stand*

**Christ is made the sure foundation,  
And the precious cornerstone,  
Who, the two walls underlying,  
Bound in each, binds both in one;  
Holy Zion's help for ever,  
And her confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,  
Dearly loved of God on high,  
In exultant jubilation  
Pours perpetual melody;  
God the One in Threefold glory  
Singing everlastingly.**

**To this temple, where we call thee,  
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;  
With thy wonted loving-kindness  
Hear thy people as they pray,  
And thy fullest benediction  
Shed within its walls for ay.**

**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
Gifts of grace by prayer to gain;  
Here to have and hold for ever  
Those good things their prayers obtain,  
And hereafter in thy glory  
With thy blessed ones to reign.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,  
Laud and honour to the Son,  
Laud and honour to the Spirit,  
Ever Three, and ever One,  
One in love, and one in splendour,  
While unending ages run. Amen.**

*Latin c7th century Tr JM Neale (1818-66) Tune: Westminster Abbey*

## **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.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*All* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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**

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*1 Corinthians 5.7,8*

*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**

*[Organ]* *ff* Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the  
 high - est. *f* Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on  
 earth. Lord God, Heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we  
 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
*f* Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est.  
*mf* 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. *f* Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the  
 high - est. *f* 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.  
Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

## The Collect

Let us pray:

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen 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: Acts 7.55-end

*Read by David Risley*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated for **The Psalm: 31.1-5**

Sung by Dorothy Lawrence



In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame;  
deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me;  
make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a fortress to save me,  
for you are my rock and my stronghold; **R/**

Guide me, and lead me for your name's sake.

Take me out of the net  
that they have laid secretly for me,  
for you are my strength.

Into your hands I commend my spirit,  
for you have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth. **R/**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.2-10**

Read by Dulce Merritt

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

'The stone that the builders rejected

has become the very head of the corner',

and

'A stone that makes them stumble,

and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Once you were not a people,

but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

This is the word of the Lord.

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

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

**Gospel Reading:** John 14.1-14

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 John.

*All* **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

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 Martin Carr*

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**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
'Peace be with you.'

Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

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

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.*

**Stephen, first of Christian martyrs,  
Let the Church in hymns proclaim;  
Following close the Saviour's passion,  
Thus he won immortal fame:  
For his foes he prayed forgiveness  
While they stoned him unto death,  
To the Lord his soul commending  
As he yielded up his breath.**

**Holy Spirit, gift of Jesus,  
Shed thy light upon our eyes,  
That we may behold with Stephen  
That fair realm beyond the skies,  
Where the Son of Man in glory  
Waits for us at God's right hand,  
King of saints and hope of martyrs,  
Lord of all the pilgrim band.**

**See Him who went on before us  
Heavenly mansions to prepare,  
Who for us is ever pleading  
By His wounds of glory there;  
In that blessed home of splendour  
Christ our Saviour reigns above,  
Calling us to share his rapture  
In the Father's boundless love.**

**Glory be to God the Father,  
Glory to his only Son,  
Dying, risen, ascending for us,  
Who the heavenly realm has won;  
Glory to the Holy Spirit,  
To One God in Persons Three,  
From the saints in earth and heaven,  
Glory, endless glory, be.**

*EDITORS, partly based on verses by Christopher Wordsworth 1807-85 Tune: Blaenwern*

## **The Preparation of the Table**

Risen Lord Jesus Christ,  
we believe you, and all we have heard is true.  
When you break bread  
may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us,  
that we may bring light to your world.

*All* **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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves. The first staff is marked *mf* and includes the instruction *[Organ]*. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and". The second staff continues the lyrics: "might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,". The third staff continues: "Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est." The fourth staff continues: "Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The fifth staff concludes with: "- san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est." The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, dynamics (*mf*, *f*, *ff*), and phrasing slurs.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

*All* **Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

*All* **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours 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

[Organ] *mp* Lamb of God, you  
*mf* take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.  
*mf* Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.  
*mp* Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
*non rall.*  
*p* world, grant us peace. **2**

## Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*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

Anima Christi (Music by William Maher)

## Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All **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**

#### **Hymn**

*Please stand.*

**Jesus lives! thy terrors now  
Can, O Death, no more appal us;  
Jesus lives! by this we know  
Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.  
Alleluya!**

**Jesus lives! henceforth is death  
But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm our trembling breath,  
When we pass its gloomy portal.  
Alleluya!**

**Jesus lives! for us he died;  
Then, alone to Jesus living,  
Pure in heart may we abide,  
Glory to our Saviour giving.  
Alleluya!**

**Jesus lives! our hearts know well  
Nought from us his love shall sever;  
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell  
Tear us from his keeping ever.  
Alleluya!**

**Jesus lives! to him the throne  
Over all the world is given;  
May we go where he has gone,  
Rest and reign with him in heaven.  
Alleluya!**

*Christian Gellert (1715-69) Tr. Frances Cox (1812-97) Tune: St Albinus*

## The Blessing

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
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, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

### Music after the Service

A Trumpet Aire – *John Reading*

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

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## Notices

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### Two Cities Eco Tip

Buy or sell unwanted clothes rather than send them to landfill. Look at Vinted – <https://www.vinted.co.uk/app> As well as giving users the opportunity to sell second-hand clothing, Vinted also enables people to swap clothes with one another if they wish.

### Ascension Day - Beating the Bounds

On Thursday 14 May at 4.15pm, Ascension Day, we will be Beating the Bounds of our Parish (including sending a beating party in a boat to the parish boundary in the middle of the River Thames.) Please join us for this ancient ceremony, and stay for refreshments followed by Choral Evensong at 6pm.

## **YouTube subscribers needed**

Do you have a YouTube account? We'd like to reach 50 subscribers to our livestream channel. This would help us to continue livestreaming services using a mobile phone if we experience more technical issues. Please visit [www.youtube.com/@AHBTT](http://www.youtube.com/@AHBTT) and click Subscribe. Thank you.



## **Mark Lane development exhibition**

This week All Hallows hosted a Public Consultation for the ongoing development on Mark Lane. On 2 evenings the developers were available to discuss the updated plans for the building which is situated directly opposite the church, with a chance for residents and businesses to ask questions and share their thoughts.

## **Encourage with Barnabas Aid**

Barnabas Aid is an agency that supports Christian communities, churches and individuals around the world who face persecution and discrimination.

On Saturday 20 June, they are holding their **Encourage 2026** event at the Tower Hotel. This will be an opportunity to hear first-hand stories of faith, courage and perseverance alongside real insight into the challenges facing Christians worldwide, with teaching, worship, prayer, frontline documentary footage and meaningful fellowship with others who share a heart to serve the persecuted Church.

To book your free tickets visit [www.barnabasaid.org/encourage](http://www.barnabasaid.org/encourage).

## **Faith in the Public Square with The Very Revd Andrew Tremlett**

On Tuesday 5 May 2026 at 12 noon, The Very Revd Andrew Tremlett (Dean of St Paul's Cathedral and former Dean of Durham Cathedral) will be speaking at All Hallows in the latest event arranged by the Worshipful Company of World Traders.

The role of a cathedral Dean is one of the most complex: part CEO, part vicar of a very large church. But St Paul's and Durham have the added burdens of major secular roles from tourism, to film locations, to academic and civic tasks. In discussion with Richard Burge, Andrew will talk about how personal faith impacts on his secular responsibilities. Rev Nicol Kinrade, Vicar of All Hallows by the Tower, will host the event

Entry is free - no need to book

There will be lunch afterwards (pay your own way) in the Byward Restaurant in All Hallows by the Tower. If you wish to stay to lunch, please email [clerk@world-traders.com](mailto:clerk@world-traders.com).

## **The Week Ahead**

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### **Church Opening Times**

Tuesday-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 YouTube.

### **Wednesday 6 May**

6pm      Taizé Prayer

### **Thursday 7 May**

8.30am      Said Eucharist

### **Sunday 10 May: The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

10am Said Eucharist; Preacher: The Revd Dr John Barker

### **Taizé – 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**

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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## ***The Team at All Hallows***

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