

Service of Morning Prayer. Sunday 9th August. Ninth Sunday after Trinity

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome by Revd Grant:

Welcome everyone. We are recording in new locations this month. We hope it does not distract. Welcome everyone!

All Saints is an English speaking international Anglican Church,

A church which is, at all times and in all seasons, committed to being a church of Up (worship & prayer), In (deep community & lifelong discipleship),

and Out, (service of others & evangelism).

Today is the Sabbath.

Eugene Peterson describes Sabbath as 'a time to receive silence and let it deepen into gratitude'.

And so, on this day of rest, as we prepare to pray and worship, we settle into silence and allow thankfulness to take hold of our souls...

In the brief silence we settle into prayer...

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

All and also with you.

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This is the day that the Lord has made.

All Let us rejoice and be glad init.

Our Opening Song



We have come together, the people of God, drawn by his Spirit, longing for his word, to praise the holy name of the Lord, to share his glorious news of grace, to pray our needs and the pain of the world, to rejoice in his love and be sent in his peace.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence

All Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us
according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us
to the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

May the Father of all mercies Cleanse you from your sins and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessed is the Lord,

All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

All and in our song will we praise our God.

Blessed are you Creator God, to you be glory and praise for ever.
As your Spirit moved over the face of the waters bringing light and life to your creation,
Pour out your Spirit on us today that we may walk as children of light, and by your grace reveal your presence.

We continue in prayer...

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All

Blessed be God for ever.

We continue our praise and thanksgiving in song.

Song

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

Amen.

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

We open our ears and hearts to receive and obey God's holy word.

Psalm 15

- ¹ LORD, who may dwell in your sacred tent? Who may live on your holy mountain?
- ² The one whose way of life is blameless, who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from their heart;
- ³ whose tongue utters no slander, who does no wrong to a neighbour, and casts no slur on others;
- who despises a vile person
 but honours those who fear the LORD;
 who keeps an oath
 even when
 it hurts,
 and does not change their mind;
- ⁵ who lends money to the poor without interest; who does not accept a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things will never be shaken.

All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

NT reading: Ephesians 4:17-32

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Song

Gospel: Matthew 5: 21-26 & v33-42

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Gospel Canticle (Benedictus)

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us, To show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. Luke 1.68-79

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Sermon. Peter Gillies will share his second sermon on 'Christian Faith and work' (his first sermon was, last week, on August 2nd).

Song

The Creed

We declare our faith with Christians of all sorts, all nationalities, all backgrounds across our world

All We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen. cf Ephesians 3



The Prayers of the People

We pray to the Father, in the name of the Son, guided by the Spirit.

All Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us

Offertory Prayer for gifts to All Saints
Gracious God,
accept our financial gifts
And with them our lives
To be used in your service,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect

God be in my head and in my understanding God be in my eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
Gd be in my heart and in my thinking.

God be at my end and at my departing. Amen.

Bring our prayers and praises to a close, we pray together

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.

Going out as God's People

Church Life Announcements

Peter has preached about Christian faith and work these past two weeks. On our Youtube channel, he has prepared two teaching videos about Faith and Work, why not check them out, whether you are a part of All Saints or joining our online worship. They are designed with tasks to do, and thinks to consider, as you consider why and how you work.

Final Song

Blessing

God the Holy Trinity
make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side,
and guide you in truth and peace;
The blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

We finish with praying the grace together...

All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

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