

Service of Morning Prayer. Sunday 23rd August.
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome by Revd Grant :

Welcome everyone. I'd especially like to welcome anyone new or who has not been a regular member of our church in the past. I hope you feel fully part of this online worshipping community today and that you find you can meet with God through the service.

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).

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.



This is the day that the Lord
has made.

All Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The LORD God says:

“Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose confidence is in him.

⁸They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit.” (Jeremiah 17)

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.

We continue in prayer...

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.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All Blessed be God for ever.

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 117- 118:7

Psalm 117

¹ Praise the LORD, all you nations;
extol him, all you peoples.
² For great is his love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures
forever.

Praise the LORD.

Psalm 118

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.
² Let Israel say:
"His love endures forever."

³ Let the house of Aaron say:
"His love endures forever."

⁴ Let those who fear the LORD say:
"His love endures forever."

⁵ When hard pressed, I cried to the LORD;
he brought me into a spacious place.

⁶ The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid.
What can mere mortals do to me?

⁷ The LORD is with me; he is my helper.
I look in triumph on my enemies.

**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.

OT: Song of Songs 6:11-end of chapter 8

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Song

Gospel: Matthew 5:27-30 & 7:24-29

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Gospel Canticle (Benedictus)

All 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

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

In the power of the Spirit and in union with
Christ, let us pray to the Father.

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

O God, the author of peace
and lover of harmony,
whom to know is eternal life,
whose service is perfect freedom,
defend us your servants from all assaults
of our enemies,
that we, surely trusting in your defence,
may not fear the power of any adversaries.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

1. Each month we have charitable giving. Our August charitable giving goes towards our Disaster Appeal Fund – to allow us to give to significant crisis through the year via Christian organizations. Consult our website for more information.
2. Today we have finished our sermon series on Song of Songs. Next week until end of September, we look at the theme of Sharing our Christian Faith – both what scripture says and practically, on the ground, how we do this...

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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