



Welcome

All Saints Day

3 November



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St. Paul's Covent Garden

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We stand as the Altar Party enters and sing the hymn

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our God hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection-light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own 'All hail', and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

The Priest goes to the Lectern and says:

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

All Amen.

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

The Priest introduces the service and then leads the congregation in prayer:

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.

The Priest invites the congregation to seek God's mercy and grace. We say together:

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 Priest announces the **Absolution** to which all reply: **Amen.***

*We sing the **Gloria**, which you will find on the separate music sheet.*

*The prayer of the day – the **Collect** – is sung*

Almighty God, you have knit together
your elect in one communion and
fellowship in the mystical body of your
Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to
follow your blessed saints in all virtuous
and godly living that we may come to
those inexpressible joys that you have
prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
Amen.

*We sit for the **first** and **second readings.***

First Reading

Wisdom of Solomon 3.1-9

¹The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.

²In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, ³and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

⁴For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.

⁵Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

⁶like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.

⁷In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.

⁸They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. ⁹Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Revelation 21.1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them

and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life."

At the end:

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God

*We stand to sing the **hymn** and turn towards the Gospel book*

**Let saints on earth in concert sing
with those whose work is done;
for all the servants of our King
in heaven and earth are one.**

**2 One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.**

**3 One army of the living God,
to his command we bow:
part of the host have crossed the
flood,
and part are crossing now.**

**4 E'en now to their eternal home
there pass some spirits blest;
while others to the margin come,
waiting their call to rest.**

**5 Jesus, be thou our constant guide;
then, when the word is given,
bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
and bring us safe to heaven.**

All remain standing (if able) as the Gospel is read

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to *John*
11, 32-44

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked.

"Come and see, Lord," they replied.

Jesus wept.

Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. "Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days."

Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead

man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

At the end:

Priest This is the Gospel of the
Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

*We sit for the **Sermon***

*We stand to say the **Creed***

**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 of 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.**

*The **Prayers of Intercession** follow*

At the end:

Priest Merciful Father,
All accept these prayers for
the sake of your Son, our
Saviour, Jesus Christ,
Amen.

*The Priest introduces the **Peace**:*

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with
you always
All And also with you
Priest Let us offer one another a
sign of peace.

*We sing a **hymn** as the Altar is prepared for
the **Eucharistic Prayer**. A **collection** is taken
during the **hymn**. You may prefer to donate by
card, at the back of church*

**O what their joy and their glory
must be,
those endless sabbaths the blessed
ones see!
Crown for the valiant; to weary ones
rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.**

**2 Truly Jerusalem name we that
shore,
“Vision of peace,” that brings joy
evermore!
Wish and fulfilment can severed be**

ne’er,
nor the thing prayed for come short
of the prayer.

**3 We, where no trouble distraction
can bring,
safely the anthems of Sion shall sing;
while for thy grace, Lord, their
voices of praise
thy blessed people shall evermore
raise.**

**4 There dawns no sabbath, no
Sabbath is o’er,
those sabbath-keepers have one and
no more,
one and unending is that triumph
song
which to the angels and us shall
belong.**

**5 Now in the meanwhile, with hearts
raised on high,
we for that country must yearn and
must sigh,
seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,
through our long exile on Babylon’s
strand.**

**6 Low before him with our praises
we fall,
of whom, and in whom, and through
whom are all;
of whom, the Father; and through
whom, the Son;
in whom, the Spirit, with these ever
one. Amen**

Priest Blessed are you Lord God of
all creation. Through your
goodness we have this bread
to offer, which earth has given
and human hands have made.
It will become for us the
bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever**

Priest Blessed are you Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer. Fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink

All Blessed be God for ever

Priest Pray my sisters and brothers that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father

All May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hand, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

The Priest adds the prayer over the gifts to which we reply **Amen**

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise...

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues until we sing the **Sanctus** and **Benedictus** from the music sheet.*

*The **Eucharistic Prayer** continues until...*

Priest: Great is the mystery of faith

All: Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again

The Eucharistic Prayer continues until

Priest ...for ever and ever

All: Amen

The Priest invites us to say:

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

Priest 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

*We sing the **Agnus Dei** from the music sheet.*

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

*The congregation approaches the Altar steps to receive **Communion**. All those who are in good standing with their own Church are invited to receive Communion. Those who prefer to ask for a Blessing are invited to bow their heads at the Altar rail, or bring this booklet as a sign to the Priest.*

Please make your way to the Altar rail, and kneel (if able)

Please receive Communion in your hand ONLY. If you wish to receive the Chalice, please remain in place.

If not, return to your pew

Please keep absolute silence during Communion

**I Glory to thee, O God,
for all thy saints in light,
who nobly strove and conquered in
the well-fought fight.
Their praises sing,
who life out-poured by fire and
sword for Christ their King.**

**2 Thanks be to thee, O Lord,
for saints thy Spirit stirred
in humble paths to live thy life and
speak thy word.
Unnumbered they,
whose candles shine to lead our
footsteps after thine.**

**3 Lord God of truth and love,
'thy kingdom come', we pray;
give us thy grace to know thy truth
and walk thy way:
that here on earth
thy will be done, till saints in earth
and heaven are one.**

Post Communion Prayers:

God, the source of all holiness and giver of
all good things: may we who have shared
at this table as strangers and pilgrims here
on earth be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your
kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

We say together:

**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.**

Any Banns of marriage and notices are given.

Priest The Lord be with you
All And also with you

*The **Blessing** is given to which all reply: **Amen**
We sing the **hymn** and turn to face the West
End for the **dismissal***

**For all the saints who from their
labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world
confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.
Alleluia!**

**2 Thou wast their rock, their
fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-
fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, still their one
true light.
Alleluia!**

**3 O blest communion, fellowship
divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory
shine:
yet all are one in thee, for all are
thine.
Alleluia!**

**4 And when the strife is fierce, the
warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant
triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again and arms
are strong.
Alleluia!**

**5 The golden evening brightens in
the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes
their rest:
sweet is the calm of Paradise the
blest.
Alleluia!**

6 But lo, there breaks a yet more
glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright
array:
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia!

7 From earth's wide bounds, from
ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the
countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy
Ghost.
Alleluia!

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

‘WHAT’S ON’ THIS WEEK

Today

7.30pm Dear Jo Hawes Concert **

Tuesday 5 November

10.30am Sing Space Choir

Wednesday 6 November

1.10 Holy Eucharist

1.45pm Tea and Cake – *all welcome*

Friday 8 October

6.30pm & 8.30pm Musicals by Candlelight **

Saturday 9 November

6.30pm & 8.30pm Musicals by Candlelight **

Sunday 10 November

10.55am Parish Sung Eucharist, *for Remembrance Sunday*

Please note change of time

4pm Choral Evensong, *with the Choir of St. Paul's*

** Tickets for all paid events are available from www.actorschurch.org