ST HILDA’S ASHFORD

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 2022

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THE GATHERING

Introit Hymn

Through all the changing scenes of life,
    In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
    My heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
    With me exalt his name;
When in distress to him I called,
    He to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
    The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance he affords to all
    Who on his succour trust.

O make but trial of his love,
    Experience will decide
How blest are they, and only they,
    Who in his truth confide.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
    Have nothing else to fear;
Make you his service your delight,
    Your wants shall be his care.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
    The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
    And shall be evermore.

[Tate and Brady]
The Greeting

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

All  Amen

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

All  and also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction are said; we pray with Junior Church.

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 Penitence

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save from our sins
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God’s commandments
and to live in love and peace with all

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.
Amen.
Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,
All and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect - The Collect for the Week is said after a moment of silence
Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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.
All Amen.
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 29 vv 1, 4 - 7

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All  Thanks be to God.
New Testament Reading – 2 Timothy 2 vv 8 – 15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.
Gospel Reading – Luke 17 vv 11 - 19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ When he saw them, he said to them, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, ‘Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ Then he said to him, ‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon – All sit

The Creed – All Stand

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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.
Prayers of Intercession

The prayers end with the following:

Merciful Father

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace – All stand

Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called the children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

During this hymn a collection will be taken

Just as I am, without one plea
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd’st me come to thee,

O Lamb of God, I come.
Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fighting within, and fears without,
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in thee to find
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
Because thy promise I believe,
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am (thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down),
Now to be thine, yea thine alone,
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
Here for a season then above,
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

[Charlotte Elliott]

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

*All* All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.
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,

it is our duty and our joy,

at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest,

who has loosed us from our sins

and has made us to be a royal priesthood to you,

our God and Father.]

Therefore with angels and archangels,

and with all the company of heaven,

we proclaim your great and glorious name,

for ever praising you and saying:

we may find a voice to sing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

All God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.
All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and 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.*

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus:*

*All*  
Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.
Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, 
in remembrance of the precious death and passion, 
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension 
of your dear Son Jesus Christ, 
we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, 
and through faith in his blood, 
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins 
and all other benefits of his passion. 
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, 
to offer you any sacrifice, 
yet we pray that you will accept this 
the duty and service that we owe.
Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, 
and fill us all who share in this holy communion 
with your grace and heavenly blessing;

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.

All   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.

Breaking of the Bread
The president breaks the consecrated 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,

All you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.
Giving of Communion

God’s holy gifts
for God’s holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

All Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit
even to eat the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom.
Amen.

The president and people receive communion.
Communion Hymns

The head that once was crowned with thorns
  Is crowned with glory now:
A royal diadem adorns
  The mighty victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords
  Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
  And heaven's eternal light.

The joy of all who dwell above,
  The joy of all below,
To whom he manifests his love,
  And grants his name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame,
  With all its grace is given;
Their name an everlasting name,
  Their joy the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below;
  They reign with him above;
Their profit and their joy to know
  The mystery of his love.

The cross he bore is life and health,
  Though shame and death to him
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
  Their everlasting theme.

[Thomas Kelly]
God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling:
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting;
Let us all revere and love him, God eternal:
Loving him, let each love Christ in all his brothers.

God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

When we Christians gather, members of one Body,
Let there be in us no discord, but one spirit;
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel:
Christ our God be present always here among us.

God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

Grant us love's fulfilment, joy with all the blessèd,
When we see your face, O Saviour, in its glory;
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,
Be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises.

God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

[from the Latin liturgy of Maundy Thursday tr. James Quinn
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Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy one is here.
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy one is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace. No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

[David J. Evans    © 1986 Kingsway's Thankyou Music]

Prayers after Communion

Silence is kept after which the Post-Communion prayer is said.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All   Amen.

All   Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ’s body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices
THE DISMISSAL

Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing; 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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen

Recessional Hymn

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace. (x3)

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace. (x3)

He speaks, and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe. (x3)
Hear Him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
    Your loosened tongues employ,
    Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come,
And leap, ye lame, for joy!  \(x3\)

My gracious Master and my God,
    Assist me to proclaim,
    Assist me to proclaim
And spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy name.  \(x3\)

[Charles Wesley]
SERVICE TIMES

Wednesday 12th October 11.00am

in the small hall

Sunday 12th October 10.00am

The Sunday service is livestreamed and can be viewed later on our Facebook page.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

THE SICK:
Lizio Cassar  Pat Kyle  Barbara Warne
Ros Clifton  Pauline Milton  Lisa
Joan Davies  Ray Nation  Nic
Vicky Hall  Roy Stone
Melvyn Jansen  Betty Vince

We are in the process of updating the prayer list. If you would like a name to be added, please do contact the parish office.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:
Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
Alison Griffiths  David Grigg  Doreen Saville

THOSE IN OUR MEMORIAL BOOK THIS WEEK
Bill Dansie  Alan Leonard Dale
Lawrence Maltby  Gertrude May Hayes
Graham Petre  Cecile Barbara Woodhead
Mary Ann Forsbrey  Myrtle Maud Emily Nunn

Please pray for our ALMA twin Parish, Holy Cross Murrupula
NOTICES

The Parish Office is available by phone or email. Visitors by appointment only.

Church Opening

St Hilda’s is open for public worship services.

*Following the teaching of ‘Loving thy Neighbour’ - If you feel unwell, we ask that you do not attend so that we can maintain the health and safety of all who attend the services.*

Please note that the church will not be available during the day tomorrow (Monday 5th October) while electrical contractors are carrying out major works.

Mothers' Union Lunch – Tuesday 11th October at 12 noon
In the Small Hall

PCC Meeting - Tuesday 11th October at 7pm

Community Lunch – Wednesday at 12 noon
Join us for the Community Lunch at midday in the Small Hall
If you are able to come forward and help, even once a month, please do liaise with Bobbie.

Bible Study – every Wednesday
Bible Study group meet in Church at 7.30pm. All welcome.

St. Hilda's Breakfast - Saturday 15th October at 9:30am
Do come along and enjoy good food and fellowship.
This month's guest speaker will be Mother Helen, on ‘What has Sweden given to the world’, and there will be a quiz.
Please book via the Parish Office or Ticket Tailor (link on the Church web site), so we know how many to cater for. Suggested donation £5, payable on the day.
**Saturday 15th October from 12noon**
Come and “Meet the Beat” with your local PCs and PCSOs.
There will be leaflets on Anti-Social Behaviour and Scams and Fraud.
Please feel free to ask questions: they will answer as many as possible.

**Feed My Sheep – Tuesday 25th October– 2.30 - 4pm**
Meeting in the Small Hall.
The theme will be Hildegard of Bingen.

The following month's topic in Feed My Sheep will be:
Tuesday 22nd Nov  St Hilda

**Ambling through Acts course –Thursday 3rd November**
(7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month)
Everyone is very welcome to attend. There will be refreshments at the end. We finish by saying Compline (Night Prayer) together round about 9pm. I hope to see you there. Please bring a bible – ideally the NRSV, but any version will do.

**St Hilda’s News**
Please send items for the Newsletter to kmroach45@gmail.com
Note that it makes the Editor's job much easier if you submit an item as a Word document rather than in the body of an e-mail.
The deadline for the December edition is Sunday 6th November.
Date for your diary:
St. Hilda’s Bazaar will be on Saturday 19th November in the Church. Look out for more details soon.

Parish administrator
Our parish administrator is Laura Goodman; her hours of work are:
- Monday: 3-4pm
- Tuesday: 3-4pm
- Wednesday: 10-11am; 2-3pm
- Thursday: 3-4pm
- Friday: 3.30-6.30pm

Note that any appointments in person must be booked.

Food Bank Donations
Please use the wooden chest at the rear of the Church to place any donations for the local food bank, such as tinned and dried goods and toiletries.
**Eco Church Volunteers Needed**
The Church of England is seeking to reach “net zero” carbon by 2030 to meet a target set by the General Synod in 2020 and we at St Hilda’s are looking closely at how we can help in moving towards this and become an Eco church. We are planning to set up a small group to investigate how we can improve our eco credentials and encourage us all on the journey. If you would like to be involved, please speak to Carolyn.

**We need YOU!**

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 5th-14th March 2024**
10 days based in Jerusalem and Galilee
With Father Steve Gayle and Father Joseph Fernandes.
See literature at the back of church for more details.

**Pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey – Date TBC**
A parish pilgrimage is being arranged to Westminster Abbey, please sign up on the sheet at the rear of the Church or contact the office. A date will be arranged if we have enough interest.

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**St. Hilda’s Church Nativity Festival**
St. Hilda’s Church will be holding their Nativity Festival during the weekend of **10th and 11th December 2022** and are inviting schools, organisations and businesses in the Parish of St. Hilda’s and Ashford Town to join in. We would like you to create a Nativity Scene, or loan an existing Nativity Set for the exhibition. Visitors will be encouraged to vote for their favourite one.
An entry form can be found at the back of Church and will need to be returned to the Parish Office by **Monday 31\textsuperscript{st} October 2022**, so we know how many groups are taking part. At the last event we held in 2019 we had Lego sets, knitted sets and hand-crafted sets as well as a variety of traditional and modern Nativity Scenes.

You are encouraged to use any craft activity and suitable medium to create your Nativity scene which will be of Mary and Joseph with Baby Jesus and the accompanying cast, if you have time and the resources to create a full scene. Should you wish to have your scene illuminated we ask that the lighting is battery operated as we are unable to plug into the Church’s system. The maximum surface area size of your set should be no more that 50cm x 30cm, please do not exceed this as exhibition space may not be available for larger models.

We would like the completed Nativity scene to be brought to the Church on Friday 9\textsuperscript{th} December 2022 from 5pm until 7pm and collected at the close of the Festival on Sunday 11\textsuperscript{th} December at 4pm.

We look forward to receiving your entry form and subsequently the completed Nativity scene in December to make the exhibition as interesting as possible.

Let your creativity flow to make this year’s festival fabulous!

*Alison Garner, Pauline Milton and the Festival Team*
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