

The Church of England
in Central Windsor

SUNG EUCCHARIST

Sunday 3rd November 2024



A warm welcome to All Saints' Church.

On most Sundays we offer Sunday Club during the service. Children aged 3-11 are welcome to gather at the back of the church after the Collect on page 4.

Please don't feel embarrassed if babies and small children cry or make a noise.

Please stand for :

THE GREETING

The priest says

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

All **Amen.**

The priest greets the people

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

All **And also with you.**

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

All **Amen.**

Please sit for:

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANY NOTICES

Please stand for :

OPENING HYMN

**For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesu, be forever blest
Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold;
Fight as the Saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold
Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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, Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

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, Alleluia!

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, Alleluia!

Please remain standing for:

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,
looking to Jesus in penitence and faith. *Hebrews 12.1*

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all
and your mercy is over all your creation:
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy**

Your faithful servants bless your name
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy**

The Kyrie Eleison is sung:

All **Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

ABSOLUTION

The priest says

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All **Glory to God in the highest,
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 president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words:

Let us pray that we may be strengthened
by our communion with all the saints.
Silence is kept.

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for:

FIRST READING

Wisdom 3.1–9

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

² In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,

³ and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

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

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

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

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

⁸ They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them for ever.

⁹ Those 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.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24 vv1-6

The congregation is invited to join in with the Response

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory

The earth is the Lord's and / all that fills it ,
the compass of the world and all who / dwell therein.
for he has founded it up / on the seas
and set it firm upon the rivers / of the deep. **Response**

Who shall ascend the hill / of the lord,
or who can rise up in his / holy place?
Those who have clean hands / and a pure heart,
who have not lifted up their soul to an idol, nor sworn
an oath / to a lie. **Response**

'They shall receive a blessing / from the Lord,
a just reward from the God of / their salvation.'
Such is the company of / those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O / God of Jacob. **Response**

SECOND READING

Revelation 21.1–6a

21¹I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' ⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' ⁶Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.'

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for:

GRADUAL HYMN

**Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.**

**The Lord who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men,
their pattern and their King.**

**Still to the lowly soul
he doth himself impart
and for his dwelling and his throne
chooseth the pure in heart.**

**Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be:
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple meet for thee.**

Please remain standing for:

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**
You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, God's own people,
called out of darkness into his marvellous light. *1 Peter 2.9*
All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 11.32-44

¹¹³² When Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus, came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' ³⁷ But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' ³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

At the end the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit for:

SERMON

Please stand for:

THE NICENE CREED

Let us declare before God the faith of the church in which, we pray, we may all find grace to grow.

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 for:

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

These responses may be used

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

All Lord hear us
Lord graciously hear us

And at the end

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand for:

THE PEACE

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near. *Ephesians 2.19,17*

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

You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with your neighbour.

*The offertory collection will be brought to the altar to be blessed.
It will be used for the ministry, mission and outreach of the church.
Please consider using the Gift Aid envelopes if you are able to do so.*

If you give regularly via the collection when you attend Sunday worship in one of our churches, but are not with us every week, have you considered giving through the Parish Giving Scheme? It is very easy to do. Details are in the weekly Keeping Us in Touch leaflet or speak to any of our churchwardens

OFFERTORY HYMN

**Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice oppressed:
I know not, oh, I know not,
what social joys are there;
what radiancy of glory,
what light beyond compare.**

They stand, those halls of Sion,
conjugilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr throng:
the Prince is ever in them,
the daylight is serene;
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
and they who with their Leader
have conquered in the fight,
for ever and for ever
are clad in robes of white.

Oh, sweet and blessed country,
shall I ever see thy face
Oh, sweet and blessed country,
shall I ever win thy grace
exult, O dust and ashes
the Lord shall be thy part
his only, his for ever,
thou shalt be, and thou art.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.
The priest takes the bread and wine.*

As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now united on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom.

All **Amen**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
for the glorious pledge of the hope of our calling
which you have given us in your saints;
that, following their example and strengthened by their fellowship,
we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
and with them receive the unfading crown of glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
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.

Great is the mystery of faith
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

All

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins
of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious
ascension, and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St John the
Baptist, St Stephen, St Agnes and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
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

With saints and martyrs through the ages,
let us pray with confidence
as our Saviour has taught us

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, *All***
hallowed be thy name; Our Father in heaven,
thy kingdom come; hallowed be your name,
thy will be done; your kingdom come,
on earth as it is in heaven. your will be done,
Give us this day our daily bread. on earth as in heaven.
And forgive us our trespasses, Give us today our daily bread.
as we forgive those Forgive us our sins
who trespass against us. as we forgive those
And lead us not into temptation; who sin against us.
but deliver us from evil. Lead us not into temptation
For thine is the kingdom, but deliver us from evil.
the power and the glory, For the kingdom, the power,
for ever and ever. and the glory are yours
Amen. now and for ever.
Amen.

All **Our Father in heaven, *All***
hallowed be your name, hallowed be thy name,
your kingdom come, thy kingdom come,
your will be done, thy will be done,
on earth as in heaven. on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those as we forgive those
who sin against us. who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil. but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours and the glory are yours
now and for ever. now and for ever.
Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The priest 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

All **Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us
Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

All **Amen.**

If you are confirmed or a communicant member of the Church of England or any other Christian church, you are welcome to receive communion with us this morning. Otherwise, you are warmly invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Please bring the service booklet with you so we know you wish to receive a blessing.

Gluten free wafers are available on request.

During the administration of communion the following will be sung

**How bright these glorious spirits shine!
Whence all their white array?
How came they to the blissful seats
of everlasting day?**

**Lo! these are they from sufferings great
who came to realms of light,
and in the blood of Christ have washed
those robes that shine so bright.**

**Now with triumphal palms they stand
before the throne on high,
and serve the God they love amidst
the glories of the sky.**

**Hunger and thirst are felt no more,
nor suns with scorching ray;
God is their sun, whose cheering beams
diffuse eternal day.**

**The Lamb who dwells amidst the throne
shall o'er them still preside,
feed them with nourishment divine,
and all their footsteps guide.**

**In pastures green he'll lead his flock
where living streams appear;
and God the Lord from every eye
shall wipe off every tear.**

Anthem: O taste and see (*Vaughan Williams*)

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

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.

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**

*Members of Sunday Club are invited to show their work to the
congregation*

THE DISMISSAL

Please stand for:

May God,
who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All **Amen.**

May he give you joy in their fellowship
and a share in their praises.

All **Amen.**

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness
and to come to the full radiance of glory.

All **Amen.**

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father†, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

**Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright Seraphs, Cherubim, and Thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,**

Refrain:

Alleluya! alleluya! alleluya!

Alleluya! alleluya!

**O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluya!**

**Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,**

Refrain:

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song,
Refrain:

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Refrain:

The priest says

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stay for refreshments which will be served after the service.

If you are visiting today or attending for the first time, we hope that you have felt "at home" here, that you will be refreshed by today's service of worship and that you will return in the future.
We shall be delighted if you decide to make our church community your spiritual home.

You are welcome to take this service sheet away with you for private reflection or to give to a friend.

**If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, please ask!
You can also find out more by following the "Our Faith" link on the Church of England website: www.churchofengland.org**

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