

# Welcome to St Alban's Church Trinity 11

Dear God, this church is a family.

Help us to learn together, to worship together,
to share together and to pray together.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

OPENING HYMN Daniel L. Schutte © 1991 Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry;
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them —
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone;
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them – My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts are satisfied; I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord...

We are gathered together as one body† In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.The Lord be with you. And also with you.

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

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**

Gloria, (clap) gloria, (clap) in excelsis Deo. (repeat)

- 1 Lord God, heavenly King, peace you bring to us; we worship you, we give you thanks we sing our song of praise. Gloria...
- 2 Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of God: you take away our sins, O Lord, have mercy on us all. Gloria...
- 3 At the Father's right hand, Lord, receive our prayer, for you alone are the Holy One, and you alone are Lord. *Gloria...*
- 4 Glory, Father and Son, Glory, Holy Spirit, to you we raise our hands up high, we glorify your name.

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## THE COLLECT

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

After each reading ... This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

Genesis 45.1–15 Romans 11.1–2a, 29–32

GRADUAL HYMN Sebastian Temple © 1967 OCP Publications

1 All that I am, all that I do,
All that I'll ever have, I offer now to you.
Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord.
Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.
All that I am, all that I do,
All that I'll ever have I offer now to you.

2 All that I dream, all that I pray,
All that I'll ever make, I give to you today.
Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord.
Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.
All that I am, all that I do,
All that I'll ever have I offer now to you.

## THE GOSPEL

We sing... Alleluia, alleluia; alleluia, alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Matthew 15.[10-20]21-28

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

THE SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED Please stand if you are able

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; he 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each prayer: Lord, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayers we say together:

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

## THE PEACE Please stand if you are able

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN John Greenleaf Whittier (1807 -1892)

1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise, in deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee, rise up and follow thee.

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love,
interpreted by love.

4 Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace, the beauty of thy peace.

5 Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm, O still small voice of calm!

## THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

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.

Blessed be God forever.

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 for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God forever.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

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

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

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.

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We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

Do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Alban, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, as our Saviour taught us so we pray:

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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

now and for ever. Amen.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

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.

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God's holy gifts, for God's holy people.

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

All baptised Christians who receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive communion. Any member of the congregation may come to receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN Charles Wesley (1707 - 1788)

1 Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above; pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee. Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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.

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing; and the blessing ...

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) Tr. Catherine Winkworth

- 1 Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices; who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
- 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessèd peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

## **REGULAR SERVICES AT ST ALBAN'S**

## Everyone is very welcome

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sung Eucharist 9:45am weekly

## **WEEKDAY SERVICES:**

**Thursday 9:30am** Said Eucharist Followed by Community Morning 10am-12pm

Morning Prayer 9am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Saturday Prayers 9.30am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month



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