All Saints Kingston

Sunday 20 September 2020

(live and streamed service from the Church)

*Welcome – a particular welcome today to Evie*

*Please see the notices at the end, note that this service is filmed and broadcast on YouTube and that Face Masks should be worn throughout*

*The setting of the mass today is* ***Stanford in C and F***

**A hymn is played (please do not sing)**

Father, hear the prayer we offer:

Not for ease that prayer shall be,

But for strength that we may ever

Live our lives courageously.

Not for ever in green pastures

Do we ask our way to be;

But the steep and rugged pathway

May we tread rejoicingly.

Not for ever by still waters

Would we idly rest and stay;

But would smite the living fountains

From the rocks along our way.

Be our strength in hours of weakness,

In our wanderings be our guide;

Through endeavour, failure, danger,

Father, be thou at our side.

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.**

**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 minister invites everyone to recall their shortcomings.*

*After a few moments we say together the prayer of confession*.

**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. Lord have mercy.**

*The choir sings the Gloria*

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great

glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

*The Collect*

**God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you,  
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.Amen**

*The Old Testament reading*

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, ‘O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.’ And the Lord said, ‘Is it right for you to be angry?’ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, ‘It is better for me to die than to live.’ But God said to Jonah, ‘Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?’ And he said, ‘Yes, angry enough to die.’ Then the Lord said, ‘You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?’ **Jonah 3:10-end of 4**

*The New Testament reading*

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have. **Philippians 1:21-end**

***A responsorial Psalm: 145***

*R: I will bless your name for ever, my God and King.*

Great is the Lord, and worthy of all praise,

His glory is past searching out:

Men shall recount the might of your deeds,

And proclaim your majesty

The Lord loves all that he has made,

His mercy is over all his works,

All your works speak your praise,

And your people give you thanks.

Your right hand raises those that fall,

And those bowed down are lifted up:

All creatures wait on you for food,

And from your hand their wants are filled.

The Lord is near to those who call,

He hears their cry and brings them help;

My mouth shall tell the praise of God,

And let all flesh his name adore.

*The Gospel is announced*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, “You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, “Why are you standing here idle all day?” They said to him, “Because no one has hired us.” He said to them, “You also go into the vineyard.” When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, “Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.” When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.” But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?”So the last will be first, and the first will be last. **Matthew 20:1-16**

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon by the* ***Rev Sandy Cragg***

*After which the family and friends here today for the baptism of* ***Evie*** *process to the font.*

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome **Evie** and uphold themin theirnew life in Christ?

*All* **- With the help of God, we will.**

Parents and godparents, the Church receives those being baptised with joy. Today we are trusting God for theirgrowth in faith. Will you pray for them, draw themby your example into the community of faith and walk with themin the way of Christ?

*All -* **With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism they begin theirjourney in faith.

You speak for themtoday. Will you care for them, and help themto take theirplace within the life and worship of Christ’s Church?

*All -* **With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore, I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

**We turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?

**We repent of our sin.**

Do you renounce evil?

**We renounce evil.**

*Let us affirm, together with* ***Evie****, our common faith:*

Do we believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

*All* **- We believe and trust in God.**

Do we believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

*All* **- We believe and trust in God.**

Do we believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

*All* **- We believe and trust in God.**

This is the faith of the church.

*All* **- This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

*The priest asks for God’s blessing on the water and then says:*

Praise God who made heaven and earth

**Who keeps his promise for ever.**

*The priest then baptises* ***Evie:***

I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  **Amen**

I sign you with the sign of the cross. Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified but fight valiantly under his banner against sin and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.  **Amen**

Receive this light of Christ. God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.

**Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.**

May God who has received you by Baptism into his church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ’s pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children together of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.**

*After which family and friends at the font return to their seats.*

*Intercessions*

*During the prayers this response may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy

**hear our prayer**

*and at the end:*

Merciful Father,

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

*The Peace:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**Holy Communion**

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

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

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

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.**

*The priest says the first part of the eucharistic prayer and then we say:*

**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!**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power**

**be yours for ever and ever.**

Amen.

*Sit or kneel for The Lord’s Prayer*

**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.**

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread with the words:*

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

**Though we are many, we are one body,**

**because we all share in one bread.**

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.

*We say together the prayer of Spiritual Reception:*

**Come Lord Jesus, dwell in me**

**and send your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with your presence.**

**As the hem of your garment,**

**touched in faith,**

**healed the woman in the gospel,**

**so may I be healed.**

**Although I cannot receive you in the sacrament I can,**

**through this offering of my prayer,**

**receive you in my heart;**

**grant this for Christ’s sake. Amen.**

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

have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world

grant us peace

*The Motet –* *Elgar ‘Ave Verum’*

Ave verum Corpus, natum  
De Maria Virgine,  
Vere passum, immolatum  
In cruce pro homine:  
Cuius latum perforatum  
Unda fluxit et sanguine,  
Esto nobis praegustatum  
In mortis examine.  
O clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariae.

*Hail, true Body, born  
of the Virgin Mary,  
who having truly suffered, was sacrificed  
on the cross for mankind,  
whose pierced side  
flowed with water and blood:  
May it be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet]  
in the trial of death.  
O gentle, O merciful, O sweet Jesus, son of Mary,*

*The priest prays the post communion prayer:*

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Then we say together:*

**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.**

**A Hymn is played (please do not sing)**

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth;  
praise him who has brought you his grace from above,  
praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,  
and, sweet harp, the story of what he has done.

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured all ages along:  
for love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!  
(Amen, amen.)

*The Blessing after which the minister says*:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

**Notices**

**The collection**

Just a reminder that, though there isn’t a collection during the service, there is an opportunity to make your weekly donation at the north door as you leave, either in cash or by card, and donations can also be give via the website.

**Can you help?**

Enahnceable is a local charity that accepts donations of clothes, linen, toys, household items, that are new or good quality second hand and gives them to local people in need. They have launched a local appeal for more donations. If you would be able to help please contact Julie Hegerty on: julie.hagarty@enhanceable.org

**Link to Shoe Box appeal**

If you'd like to start shopping for small gifts to send to a needy family or older person in Eastern Europe, you can download a leaflet and find further information at [www.linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2020](http://www.linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2020) . Please do read the leaflet carefully before you do anything else, so that you know which items are needed, what size shoebox to use and how to wrap it up. Filled and wrapped boxes with completed forms attached can be left at 21 Beaufort Road or at All Saints (on the radiator cupboard outside the Vestry Office by the end of October.

**The weekly pew sheet in electronic form**

This is available every week on the website. If you’re having trouble accessing it you might need to clear your browser history but we would be happy to send it out to you by email if you let Jenny in the office know ([info@allsaintskingston.co.uk](mailto:info@allsaintskingston.co.uk))

**Book group**

The long running book group, meeting monthly to discuss a book (following recommendations from the Church Times) has been run by Ann Cornick who is going to step down from doing so. Its a great group but needs someone just to take the lead in hosting the meetings (here in church). Could that person be you? If you might be willing please contact Jonathan.

**A wonderful new addition**

Take a look at the east end of the church and see the new amazing panel depicting King Athelstan, first King of England, crowned here at All Saints in 925. It is the first of 7 such panels that will adorn the east end wall and in September we will be launching a fundraising campaign to complete the funding for the other six.

**All Saints Kingston Topical Lunch, Thursday 15 October** –

with safe social distancing.

Professor Jill Schofield, Pro Vice-Chancellor Kingston University *– ‘Into a New World’*. Bring your questions - share your views. Lunch at the East End Café from 12:00 pm – or bring your own sandwiches. Starts at 1:00 pm. Finishes 1:45 pm prompt. Please bring a face mask

**Eventbrite**

Don’t forget to register with Eventbrite if you want to come to church in person. It should be working fine but please let us know if you have any difficulties. From September you can sign up until 11:30 pm on Saturdays. If you forget to register then don’t let it stop you coming as we should be able to fit you in, but it would be **extremely** helpful if you could register first.

**Coffee on Zoom is still happening**

For those of you not coming to church in person on Sundays it is still possible to meet for coffee afterwards on Zoom. Just let us know if you’d like to be included.

**Jacqueline Rayner**

It is a great shame that numbers are so limited forJacqueline’s service but it will be broadcast live on our Youtube channel for those who can’t be there at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJryj09lDBZwgKvANM-ilIw?view_as=subscriber>

**Annual Meeting, a new PCC, Churchwardens and Deanery Synod reps**

Our annual meetings this year will be on Sunday 27th September at 11am.  On that day we will elect Churchwardens, new members of the PCC and new Deanery Synod representatives.  Anyone wishing to be nominated for any of those roles should sign up on the sheets that are on the table by the Trinity Chapel in the East End or email Jonathan.

**Do not enter the Vestry/Office at ANY time**

Jenny Bridges, the Rector’s PA, is back from furlough.  In order to ensure that, as much as possible, it remains an uncontaminated space we are asking that NO ONE enters the Vestry/Office or uses it as an entrance into the church, even when it is locked, without first consulting Jonathan.

**Midweek services on Wednesdays at 12 noon have returned**

Midweek Holy Communion services have returned on Wednesdays at 12 noon. Tuesdays and Thursdays will follow.

**Face Masks**

Face masks in aid of church funds are available in the cafe on Saturdays and Sundays.

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