

# Sunday 2 November 2025, 1.30pm All Saints' Day

# The Eucharist

(Cantonese)

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Common Worship

#### Welcome

Welcome whether you are joining us today in our building or online.

The order of service is online. Large print copies are also available. It is also available in Chinese.

Step-free access to church is via the ramp on the north side, and to the Crypt and Hall via lifts in the NW porch and Pavilion.

This service is being live streamed to Facebook. Please talk to a steward if you have any queries or concerns.

We have a children's church group during the service. A youth group for teenagers meets monthly on Sunday afternoons.

Refreshments are served at St Martin's Hall in the Crypt after the service. All are warmly welcome.

We are glad you are here.

# The Gathering

### Welcome

Please stand.

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

# The Greeting

ΑII

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.

# Processional Hymn

- 1 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*.
- 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*.
- 4 O blest communion, fellowship divine! we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. *Alleluia*.

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5 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*.

William Walsham How (1823-1867)

# 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.

Please sit or kneel.

# **Prayers of Penitence**

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.

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.

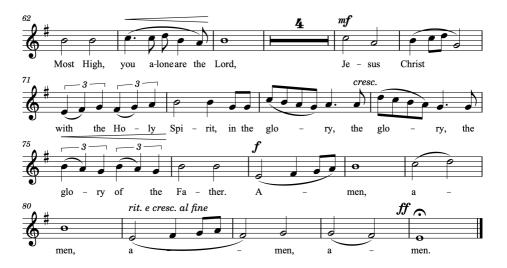
Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### All Amen.

#### Please stand.

### Gloria in Excelsis





### The Collect

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### All Amen.

Please sit.

# The Liturgy of the Word

# First Reading Daniel 7.1–3, 15–18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

This is the word of the Lord.

### All Thanks be to God.

# Second Reading Ephesians 1.11-end

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

This is the word of the Lord.

### All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

# Gospel Hymn

- 1 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.
- One family, we dwell in him, one church, above, beneath; though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death.
- 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 Jesu, be thou our constant guide; then, when the word is given, bid Jordan's narrow stream divide, and bring us safe to heaven.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788) and others

### Gospel Reading Luke 6.20-31

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

## All Glory to you, O Lord.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If

anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit after the opening prayer.

Sermon

Please stand.

Nicene Creed

ΑII 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 or kneel.

# Prayers of Intercession

United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Lord, in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

Bless Sarah our bishop and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord. Lord, in your mercy

# All hear our prayer.

Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit, that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory. Lord, in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life. Lord, in your mercy

# All hear our prayer.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness. Lord, in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin or disfigured by pain, that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy. Lord, in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom and grant us your peace at all times. Lord in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom. Lord in your mercy

### All hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

# All Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour and power, be to our God for ever and ever. Amen.

Please stand.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

All

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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

During the following hymn a collection will be taken for the ministry and work of St Martin-in-the-Fields. You are welcome to donate in the following ways: **cash in the collection bags** (filling in a Gift Aid envelope if applicable), using the **card machines**, or by **bank transfer** 

# Offertory Hymn

- 1 Captains of the saintly band, lights who lighten every land, princes who with Jesus dwell, judges of his Israel;
- On the nations sunk in night ye have shed the Gospel light; sin and error flee away, truth reveals the promised day.
- 3 Not by warrior's spear and sword, not by art of human word, preaching but the cross of shame, rebel hearts for Christ ye tame.
- 4 Distant lands with one acclaim tell the honour of your name, who, wherever man has trod, teach the mysteries of God.
- Glory to the Three in One while eternal ages run, who from deepest shades of night called us to his glorious light.

Jean de Santeul (1630–1697), translated by Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877)

# Offertory Prayer

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

# Preparation of the Table

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.

# **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.

Creating and redeeming God, in Adam, Abraham and Moses, in Deborah, Esther, and Mary, you have chosen not simply to direct the course of events but to be in relationship with us and to entrust your children with the embodiment and exercise of your will. In the dying and rising Christ you give us not just a saviour but an example, and in every generation you call people to imitate the pattern of his life and death and so witness to your glory. You call us to be not heroes that go it alone but saints whose every breath depends on others and on you. We rejoice that those saints take their place in the company of heaven, with whom we join in singing the unending hymn of your joy and praise.

# Sanctus and Benedictus sung by the choir

Transforming God, in this gathering you take the fruit of the vine and human hands and make them a blessing for your people now and forever. As our earthly bodies decay and die, and resemble your Son's body taken down from the cross, send your Spirit and remake us in the image of your Son's resurrected body, that our scars may become signs of your glory and our hearts may be one with yours. Sanctify this bread and cup that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, 'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, 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:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Resurrecting God, bless those who mourn, that they may be comforted. Bless the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven. Bless the pure in heart, that they may see you. Visit those who face death amid persecution and violence, that they may know the gladness and rejoicing of your kingdom. Be close to any who end their days in agony and isolation, that they may enter the joy of their reward. Where your children feel all is lost, meet them in their fear, touch them in their loneliness, and raise them by your mercy, so that on the last day, when you bring a new heaven and a new earth, they may discover you as an infinite circle whose centre is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere, and be changed from glory into glory, with and by you, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### All Amen.

Please sit or kneel.

# The Lord's Prayer

With saints and martyrs through the ages, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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.
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
now and for ever.
Amen.

# Breaking of the 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 sung by the choir

# Giving of Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia. The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Communicant members of all Christian churches are invited to receive Holy Communion. All others may come forward for a prayer of blessing.

# Communion Hymn

- How bright these glorious spirits shine! Whence all their white array? How came they to the blissful seats of everlasting day?
- 2 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.
- 3 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 sun with scorching ray:
   God is their sun, whose cheering beams diffuse eternal day.
- The Lamb, who dwells amid 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.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) and others

### Silence is kept.

# Prayer after Communion

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### All Amen.

# The Dismissal

### **Notices**

Please stand.

# Blessing

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.

# Recessional Hymn

- Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
   bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
   raise the glad strain, Alleluia.
   Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
   Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
   Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- O higher than the Cherubim, more glorious than the Seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia. Thou Bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia.
  Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong, all Saints triumphant, raise the song Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing,
   Alleluia, alleluia.
   To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One,
   Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

John Athelstan Riley (1858–1945)

### Dismissal

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

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