

# Worship for the Week

*Praying, learning, serving, sharing*

## Harvest Festival Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity 9 October 2022



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# Letter from Revd Simon

## What is he or she wearing?! A letter from Revd Simon

Coming from a free church background, I had become far removed from the clergy dress I saw in my Anglican childhood. Most free church clergy (it varies a bit among denominations) wear ordinary clothing, some including a clerical shirt and dog-collar. So, coming back to Anglicanism has been quite confusing and if it confuses me might it also confuse you? What are they and when are they worn? I won't cover everything a) because it gets boring and b) because I still don't know it all.

Colour is important in what clergy wear and denotes seasons of the church and is seen both in what clergy wear and altar and lectern falls:

White for Christmas and Easter and increasingly ordination and confirmation

Purple for Lent and Advent (Advent can also be blue)

Red for Palm Sunday, Pentecost and various saints' days

Green for other times

So, what are the garments? Let's start with white vestments.

Alb – This simply means white and is a white cassock – often called a cassock alb. It is quite a new garment from the 1970s and replaced more complex clergy dress. It reminds of us of Revelation 17:14-17 of those who washed their robes white in the blood of the lamb and stand before the throne of God. Some wear it with a white rope around the waist called a cincture reminding clergy of their servanthood role. Some have fancy loops for another garment (stole) to be threaded through or a towel for foot washing, a demonstrable act of service. Albs, with their hoods they make a nod towards monastic traditional wear.

A white surplice or cotta (a shorter surplice like garment often with a squared off neck from the Italian for coat) is worn over a black cassock. Surplice simply means over garment. Another white garment is preaching tabs worn round the neck – like those worn by advocates in court and used sometimes when preaching.

A black cassock is not strictly a vestment. This is the garment priests used to wear walking down the street. So, the surplice or cotta is the vestment not the cassock. Bishops and clergy assisting them in cathedrals (Bishop's canons) may wear purple cassocks and clerical shirts.

A stole is also really just a traditional scarf-like piece of clothing but is used to denote status. This is done in several ways. For priests the stole is worn round the neck, hanging down. Deacons wear the stole as a sash over the right shoulder, tied or banded to the side at the waist. Priests remain deacons and so can wear their stole as a sash, as I did at Revd. Shakeel's priesting at the Cathedral and often do so for foot-washing. Stoles are generally in the seasonal colours but can also be black and some clergy prefer only to wear black stoles or tippets and traditionally "choir dress" refers to black cassock, white surplice and black stole/scarf and academic hood.

Is there a difference between stoles and scarfs? Possibly, as well as preaching tabs a preaching minister may wear a black preaching scarf or tippet, longer than a stole. Similarly, Readers wear a blue tippet and this rather like a stole for a priest is a sign of office.

There is a myth that albs are used for eucharistic services and black cassocks for non-eucharistic services. Actually, the rules allow either an alb or cassock + surplice to be worn at morning and evening prayer on a Sunday.

So, are there any eucharist only vestments? Yes – the chasuble and the dalmatic. I have never worn a dalmatic, which is a bit of a “marmite” garment churches either use them all the time or never. It is more like a coat in the relevant seasonal colour, just shorter than a cassock. A chasuble is more like a poncho, again in seasonal colours; although wearing a sombrero with a chasuble is frowned upon!! They vary in size and shape quite a bit. I sent a friend of mine who is a priest in Uganda a short chasuble that only covers the top of your chest so you do not overheat! Many of us only wear the chasuble for the liturgy of the sacrament. A normal holy communion service on a Sunday is made up of two liturgies. The liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Sacrament and is separated in our communion services by the Peace. You will see the two headings in your communion booklets The liturgy of the Word is often called the “ante-communion” and can, of course, be taken by any worship leader whereas the communion (unless by extension) requires a priest. I, like many priests only wear the chasuble therefore for the liturgy of the sacrament to make that distinction.

Head dress can include a three finned biretta or a square Canterbury cap and clergy may wear clerical gloves for the relevant seasons of the church. Finally, there is the cope – really an outer garment and used for weddings or other big services and without boasting – Langham has probably got the more impressive cope as you may have seen in the Link magazine recently but it is VERY heavy!

And then finally there is the shoe .....

The (Judas)Priest shoe!!! Just kidding to see whether you reached the end or not. I hope this (without the shoe!) has been helpful.

Best Wishes  
Rev. Simon



## October-November service plan

	<b>Oakham 8am</b>	<b>Oakham 10.30am</b>	<b>Langham 10.30am</b>	<b>Oakham 6pm</b>
Sunday 9 October	Holy Communion	Holy Communion Harvest Festival	Harvest Festival	Second Sunday@6
Sunday 16 October	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Evening Prayer
Sunday 23 October	Holy Communion	All Age Service	Holy Communion	Holy Communion*
Sunday 30 October	Holy Communion	Holy Communion		Churches Together at the Methodist Church
Sunday 6 November	Holy Communion	Holy Communion		Choral Evensong

\*Holy Communion at All Saints on 4th Sundays at 6pm will include a time of prayer for healing. You are welcome to come to pray for your own needs and the needs of others.

## Online Services

- The Oakham Team Facebook page, where one of the ministry team will lead a live stream of **Morning Prayer at 8.30am** on weekdays and **Holy Communion or Morning Prayer at 10.30am on Sundays**. These will also be available on the Team website, together with the service sheet and Weekly Pewsheets;
- **Compline**. David Perril continues a weekly service of **Compline every Wednesday at 8.30pm** on the Oakham Team Facebook page. Please use the Compline booklet which is available from the team office. Please email Ann on [ps0@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:ps0@oakhamteam.org.uk) if you would like a copy.

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# The Week Ahead

## All Saints Oakham

### Monday 10 October

7pm Living in Love and Faith (session 3) in church

### Tuesday 11 October

8.30am Morning Prayer (also online)

9am Holy Communion

### Wednesday 12 October

10am Holy Communion at St. John and St. Anne

11am Visit of Catmose Year 7 students to church

1.30pm Music at Lunchtime – Simi Hirani and Hattie Tyler *sopranos*

6pm at St John & St Anne, Oakham Christian Meditation Group

### Thursday 13 October

8.30am Morning Prayer (also online)

9.45am Tiny Tots

12noon Midday Prayers

### Friday 14 October

9.30am Oakham CofE School Harvest Service

10.30am Oasis Coffee Morning

10.45am Holy Communion BCP (*note change of time for this week*)

2pm Art friendship group – Lady Chapel

## Sunday 16 October – The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Psalm 121; Genesis 32.22-31; 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5; Luke 18.1-18

### All Saints Oakham

8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Holy Communion; 6pm Evensong

### St Peter and St Paul, Langham

10.30am Morning Prayer

# 8am Holy Communion

*The Order of Service is contained in the separate Service Book.*

## Harvest Collect

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need  
and for our own wellbeing;  
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.**

## First Reading – Deuteronomy 26.1-11

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel Reading – John 6.25-35**

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

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, ‘Rabbi, when did you come here?’ Jesus answered them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.’ Then they said to him, ‘What must we do to perform the works of God?’ Jesus answered them, ‘This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.’ So they said to him, ‘What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.”’ Then Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always.’ Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.’

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**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of the harvest,  
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation  
and have shared in the bread and wine of the kingdom:  
by your grace plant within us a reverence for all you give us  
and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



# 10.30am Harvest Festival

*Also on Facebook Live*

## Welcome and gathering

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Brothers and sisters in Christ, the people of God in ancient times presented to the Lord an offering of first-fruits as a sign of their dependence upon God for their daily bread. At this Harvest-tide, we bring these gifts as our offering in thanksgiving to God for his faithfulness.

Jesus is the bread of life

**those who come to him shall never be hungry  
and those who believe in him shall never thirst.**

## Hymn

*Please bring forward your Harvest gifts during this hymn.*



1. Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home:  
all be safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come;  
raise the song of harvest-home!

2. All the world is God's own field,  
fruit unto his praise to yield;  
wheat and tares together sown,  
unto joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear:  
grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take his harvest home;  
from his field shall purge away  
all that doth offend, that day;  
give his angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in his garner evermore.

4. Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home;  
all be safely gathered in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there for ever purified  
in God's garner to abide:  
come, ten thousand angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home!

*Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871)*

*Music: St George's Windsor, George Job Elvey (1816-1893) (Ancient & Modern – 282)*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;  
you bring forth bread from the fields  
and give us the fruits of the earth in their seasons.

Accept these gifts, which we bring before you,  
returned to you from the harvest of your goodness.  
Let them be for us and all who share in them a sign of your fatherly care.

Blessed are you, Lord our God,  
worthy of our thanksgiving and praise.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **Thanksgiving for the Harvest gifts**

Let us give thanks for the symbols of the harvest,  
gifts that God has created and his sun and rain have nurtured.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of the cornfields,  
the oats and the wheat, the rye and the barley.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of livestock,  
milk, fish and eggs.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of roots and beets and winter feed.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of seeds for next year's crops,  
for clover, for hay and for corn.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of vegetables,  
peas, potatoes, beans and hops.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of pears and apples, berries and herbs.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the harvest of flowers,  
the finest blooms from our gardens and our fields.

**Thanks be to God.**

For the grain and the grape,  
for our Saviour took bread and wine

to feed us with his body and his blood,  
given and shed for the life of the world.

Let us feed on him by faith with thanksgiving.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Prayers of Penitence**

As those who know the generosity of God, let us confess our sins,  
especially the ways in which we take his good gifts for granted.

Lord, you give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our trespasses.

*Sing* Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord, you give us this day our daily bread.

Let us not be led into temptation.

*Sing* Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, you give us this day our daily bread.

Deliver us from evil.

*Sing* Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour  
forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*From the Holy Communion booklet, page 5.*

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need  
and for our own wellbeing;  
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**Thanks be to God**

## Reading – Philippians 4.4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn



1. We plough the fields, and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by God's almighty hand:  
he sends the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes, and the sunshine,  
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us  
are sent from heaven above;  
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,  
for all his love.*

2. He only is the maker  
of all things near and far;  
he paints the wayside flower,  
he lights the evening star;  
the winds and waves obey him,  
by him the birds are fed;  
much more to us, his children,  
he gives our daily bread.

3. We thank thee then, O Father,  
for all things bright and good,  
the seed-time and the harvest,  
our life, our health, our food.  
Accept the gifts we offer  
for all thy love imparts,  
and, what thou most desirest,  
our humble, thankful hearts.

Words: *Wir pflügen und wir streuen*, Matthias Claudius (1740-1815), tr Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)  
Music: *Wir Pflügen*, Johann Abraham Peter Schütz (1747-1800), harm John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) (Ancient & Modern – 290)

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### **Praise to you, O Christ**

## Sermon

## A Harvest Creed

The heavens declare the glory of God

**The skies display the work of his hands**

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

**The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth**

*(Isaiah 40:28)*

‘As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.’ *(Gen 8:22)*

By faith I gaze up to the heavens

**and know that this is our Father’s creation**

By faith I listen for your voice

**and know that Jesus Christ listens to the prayer within my heart**

By faith I cling to your word  
**and know the strength that I receive in the power of the Holy Spirit**  
May almighty God strengthen this faith in us. Let us pray.

## Prayers

### The Peace

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,  
patience, kindness, goodness,  
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

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

### Offertory Hymn



1. For the fruits of all creation,  
    thanks be to God;  
for the gifts to every nation,  
    thanks be to God;  
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,  
silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safe keeping,  
    thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labour,  
    God's will is done;  
in the help we give our neighbour,  
    God's will is done;  
in our world-wide task of caring  
for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing,  
    God's will is done.

3. For the harvests of his Spirit,  
    thanks be to God;  
for the good we all inherit,  
    thanks be to God;  
for the wonders that astound us,  
for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all, that love has found us,  
    thanks be to God.

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*The service continues on page 10 of the Holy Communion booklet.*

*All things bright and beautiful* John Rutter (b1945)

**Prayer after Communion**

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 with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation  
 and have shared in the bread and wine of the kingdom:  
 by your grace plant within us a reverence for all you give us  
 and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Final Hymn**



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| <p>1. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,<br/>             sing and praise your God and mine!<br/>             Great the Lord in love and wisdom,<br/>             might and majesty divine!<br/>             He who framed the starry heavens<br/>             knows and names them as they shine.</p> <p>2. Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!<br/>             Wounded souls his comfort know;<br/>             those who fear him find his mercies,<br/>             peace for pain and joy for woe;<br/>             humble hearts are high exalted,<br/>             human pride and power laid low.</p> | <p>3. Praise the Lord for times and seasons,<br/>             cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;<br/>             spring to melt the snows of winter<br/>             till the waters flow again;<br/>             grass upon the mountain pastures,<br/>             golden valleys thick with grain.</p> <p>4. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,<br/>             peace and plenty crown your days;<br/>             love his laws, declare his judgements,<br/>             walk in all his words and ways;<br/>             he the Lord and we his children:<br/>             praise the Lord, all people, praise!</p> |
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## Dismissal

The earth has yielded its harvest;  
**God, our God, has blessed us.**  
You visit the earth and water it;  
**you make it very plenteous.**  
You soften the ground with showers;  
**and bless the increase of it.**  
You crown the year with your goodness;  
**and your paths overflow with plenty.**  
The meadows are clothed with sheep;  
**the valleys stand so thick with corn,**  
**they shout for joy and sing.**  
**The earth has yielded its harvest;**  
**God, our God, has blessed us.**

## Blessing

May God our creator,  
who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air,  
bestow on you his care  
and increase the harvest of your righteousness;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

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

## Voluntary

## 6pm Second Sunday@6

### *The Church is a Royal Priesthood*

**Reading** – 1 Peter 2.1-10

<sup>1</sup>Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. <sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – <sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' <sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', <sup>8</sup>and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

### **The Greeting**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.

**All There is one hope to which we were called;**

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**All one God and Father of all.**

Peace be with you

**All and also with you.**

### **Hymn** – *Come, People of the Risen King*

I Come, people of the risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise.  
Come, all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

*Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice,  
O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

2 Come, those whose joy is morning sun  
And those weeping through the night.  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

3 Come, young and old from every land,  
Men and women of the faith.  
Come, those with full or empty hands,  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing,  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age;  
'Our God is all in all'.

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## The Litany

*During the litany the following refrain may be sung:*

**Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy on us.**

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world,  
for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For all the members of the Church in their vocation and ministry,  
that they may serve him in truth and love,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church,  
that in faithful witness we may proclaim the gospel of reconciliation  
to the ends of the earth,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For the unity of the Church,  
that we may be one in Christ, according to his will,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

*Sing* **Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy on us.**

For those who do not yet believe,  
that they may receive the light of the gospel,  
and for those whose faith has grown cold,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and suffering,  
for the aged and infirm,  
for the lonely and neglected,  
and for all who remember and care for them,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the hungry,  
for the homeless and the oppressed,  
for all prisoners and captives,  
and for our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For Charles our King,  
for the leaders of the nations,  
and for all in authority,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves,  
for grace to repent and amend our lives,  
that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering all who have gone before us in faith,  
and in communion with all the saints,  
we commit ourselves, one another,  
and our whole life to Christ our God;

**All to you, O Lord.**

*Sing* **Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy on us.**

## Song – I Will Offer Up My Life

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth  
Pouring out the oil of love, as my worship to you  
In surrender I must give my every part  
Lord, receive this sacrifice of a broken heart

Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring  
To so faithful a Friend, to so loving a King?  
Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung  
As a praise of Your name for the things You have done?  
Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part  
Of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart

You deserve my every breath, for You've paid the great cost  
Giving up your life to death, even death on the cross  
You took all my shame away, there defeated my sin  
Open up the gates of heaven and have beckoned me in

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## The Sending Out

God who has called you is faithful.  
May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,  
cleanse you by his holiness  
and send you to proclaim his word.

**All Amen.**

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,  
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

**All Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

**All Amen.**

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

**All Amen.**

Go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia**

# News from the Team

## Prayer for the Sick

We pray to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for those suffering in body, mind or spirit, amongst them: Katherine Richards, Vera Taylorson, Stan Bruce and Nick Towers.

*Please phone the Team office or email notices@oakhamteam.org.uk to add names to this list.*

## Remembering the recently departed

We remember with thanksgiving those recently departed this life, amongst them, Revd Michael Hardy, Mrs Adele Elliott; and we pray for those bereaved.

*Please phone the Team office or email notices@oakhamteam.org.uk to add names to this list.*

## The Revd Michael Hardy

Michael died peacefully surrounded by family on Tuesday 20 September. Please pray for Audrey and the family in their loss. His funeral will be at All Saints on Tuesday 18 October at 11.30am.

## Prayer for those with long term illness

We update each week the list of those who are sick and have asked for prayer. This list is mainly for people with urgent or particular needs over the short term. Their names are mentioned in the intercessions. We keep a separate book in the Trinity Chapel

which lists those who have ongoing health issues, or who are in constant need of care. Whenever you are in church please feel free to open the book in the Trinity Chapel and pray for those named in it.

## Home groups

**Tuesdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>) at 10am** at 25 Willow Crescent.

(Catriona Drye 770429)

**Thursdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>) at 2.30pm** at 6 Peterborough Avenue

(Patrick Wilson 723288).

**Wednesdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>) at 7.30pm** at The Vicarage (Cally Griffiths 869483).

Please make contact if you would like to know more or register your interest in joining.

## Pastoral visits

Please be in touch with the clergy and lay ministers if you would like a home visit (with Holy Communion) or if you know anyone who would appreciate a visit. *Stephen*

## News from Stan and Gill Bruce

Dear Church Friends

As many of you know, we have recently moved to a Christian Retirement Complex in Evington, Leicester run by The Pilgrim's Friend Society. (David and Mary Brewin are here too.) We have known of this place with apartments and a Home for many years and we are fortunate to have one of the first floor apartments with a

lovely large balcony overlooking Evington Park. Stan, who has dementia, is having respite care in the Home at present, having had a nasty chest infection in the summer, but Gill is able to be with him at any time.

Gill was diagnosed with ovarian cancer last November and having now finished her chemo treatment has been put on a special maintenance drug for those with the BRCA gene mutation which she has been discovered to have inherited. She generally keeps well.

We are so grateful to God for the provision of this lovely apartment and the friendship and care of the community. Life continues to be challenging but we are so conscious of His leading and faithfulness to us.

We would like to thank all those from the Church family who have kindly sent us good well wishes and have been praying for us as well as those who have helped us in so many practical ways. We couldn't have managed without you. Thank you and we miss you all.

With our love

Stan and Gill [sgbruce69@gmail.com](mailto:sgbruce69@gmail.com)

## Harvest Festival

Our Harvest celebration services are on **Sunday 9 October**. Please bring donations for Rutland Foodbank to any of the services that day (8am, 10.30am, 6pm). You will find around the church lists of items that are needed for the Foodbank and on their website <https://rutland.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>. Note that the Foodbank cannot accept fresh produce,

and the church cannot easily find homes for such items.

## Living in Love and Faith

We continue our series of sessions exploring issues of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage **on Monday 10 October 7pm** at All Saints Oakham (then a final session on **Monday 17 October**). There is a wealth of information about Living in Love and Faith on the Church of England's website [www.churchofengland.org/resources/living-love-and-faith](http://www.churchofengland.org/resources/living-love-and-faith)

## All Souls Memorial Service

There will be a service for All Souls Day on **Wednesday 2 November at 12.00**. All are welcome, and invitations are now being sent out to those who have been bereaved over the last three years from this parish. The names of all those who have died recently will be read out at the service, and there is a list for you to add the names of people you would like to remember at the service. The list will be on one of the tables at the centre of the church until the end of October.

This service is part of the bereavement support offered by All Saints Oakham. For further information please contact [office@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:office@oakhamteam.org.uk) or phone 01572 724007.

## Remembrance Services

### Friday 11 November

10.45am at Oakham Castle

10.45am at Langham Churchyard War Memorial

### Sunday 13 November

2.30pm Civic Service at All Saints

Oakham followed by the laying of wreaths at the War Memorial

## Lunchtime recitals

### Wednesday 12 October

Simi Hirani and Hattie Tyler *sopranos*

Music by Handel and Purcell

All concerts begin at 1.30pm.

## Mothers Union

Mothers Union would welcome all to join our next meeting **on Thursday**

**13 October** at 2pm at All Saints, Oakham, when Revd Shakeel Nurmahi will be talking to us about his music and ministry.

## Open House

The new Open House programme is now available in church by the South door. The next Open House will be on

**Thursday 13 October** between 10am-noon at the home of Bridget and John Bingham, 8 Chater Road. Please contact Sarah Bilsdon on 01572 723507 for more information.

## Friends visit to Barnsdale Gardens

### Friday 14 October

Friends are organising a visit to the Gardens, starting from the entrance promptly at 2pm. You will be able to wander around the gardens at your

own pace and the visit also includes a cream tea in the Helenium tearooms. We will be travelling in private cars, so if you need a lift, please indicate this on the sign-up sheet by the South Porch and if you are able to offer a lift, please tick the relevant column. The cost will be £15 and this is payable in advance to Liz Plummer. Please make cheques payable to 'Friends of All Saints Church Oakham' but I am also happy to receive cash. Everyone is welcome to come along and for further information, please call Liz on 01572 720506.

## Art Friendship Group

We will be meeting on Fridays from 2- 4pm in the Lady Chapel on the following dates this term:

**November 4, 11, 18**, leading up to the display and sale of Art/Craft items at the Autumn Fayre.

We are a friendly group of enthusiasts who support one another with their creative ideas, whether that is in drawing, painting, embroidery, poetry, knitting or any other type of craftwork. All are welcome to join us and there will be tea/coffee and cake served at the end of each session. We look forward to seeing you and sharing the joy of creation. *Paul Wiggan*

## Friends Annual Tide Lunch

Friends are holding their annual All Saints' Tide Lunch on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November** at the Wisteria Hotel, 12.30 for 1pm and all are welcome. Some of you will have received your invitation already and if not, it is on its



way. Places are limited, so please do book early by completing your menu choices and returning the slip along with your payment of £27 pp to Liz Plummer at the address shown. You can also sign up for the lunch on the sheet by the South Porch, indicating your food choices and giving the payment to Liz Plummer or putting it into the Friends' pigeonhole in the Mayhew room. Our speaker this year is Pippa Gorman, Development Manager at Peppers, a Safe Place, who will explain the valuable work this mental health charity fulfils in the community. This is a wonderful event and we do hope you will come and join us.  
*Liz Plummer 01572 720506.*

## Warm Welcome Fridays

At the July meeting of the PCC, there was a presentation about the proposed Warm Rooms scheme, to provide warm places for people to come to if they're not able to heat their homes during the day as the weather turns cold. The PCC agreed unanimously that All Saints should host one of these, and Vyv has provided a poster about a pilot event on **Friday 28 October** from 11am-2pm at All Saints – see p28. Could you help as a welcomer?

## Autumn Fayre

**See also the poster on page 27.**

The Autumn Fayre will be on **Saturday November 19, and will raise funds towards the windows refurbishment.** For various different stalls we will be needing: cakes, preserves, Raffle prizes, Tombola prizes, handicrafts, bric-a-brac,

jewellery and jigsaws, so please start collecting together to bring in when asked!

Please contact Patsy Clifton and Pam Gilbert if you would like to help.

*If you can display a poster, please take one from the box by the West door.*

## All Churches Community Event

*From Adam Lowe, churchwarden*

Last year Ann and myself held an evening at Oakham to thank our volunteers. This year we are going a bit bigger and inviting All the Churches in Oakham and a couple outside Oakham to an evening event on **Friday 4 November**. This will be aimed at the congregations, not just volunteers. For more details see the posters in church and on page 29. There's a sign-up sheet on one of the tables by the crossing.

## Everyday Faith

Please pick up a free copy of Everyday Faith from the entrance area in church. When you have read it through and had time to think and pray, please fill in the response form at the back of the booklet and return it to the church office. Thank you to those who have already done so.

## All Saints Music Society

Since the ending of lockdown the committee of the Music Society have been busy organising concerts including the very successful series of piano trios with Anne Bolt, Martin Cropper and Richard Jenkinson; the brilliant organ recital given by Colin Walsh; and the series of very good Wednesday

lunchtime concerts during the summer months. The committee are looking for 2-3 new members who are willing to take an active part in organising and promoting future concerts. There are usually three or four committee meetings per year. If you are interested please get in touch with either Diana Dixon ([bibliographer48@yahoo.com](mailto:bibliographer48@yahoo.com)) or Paul Butler ([paulritabutler@btinternet.com](mailto:paulritabutler@btinternet.com)).

## **Brahms Requiem performed by the Harborough Singers**

**Advance notice – Saturday 5  
November**

The Harborough Singers will give a performance of Brahms *German Requiem* at St Andrew's Church, Lyddington, on Saturday 5 November. Brahms's famous work is a curious beast. Written in German instead of Latin, it uses Protestant texts instead of Catholic and perhaps most strangely omits any mention of Jesus at all. But Brahms, who lived at a time when antisemitism was rife, was equally strange and shocking. He was open to people of ALL religions and had a Jewish violinist as one of his closest friends. He would happily have 'dropped the German' and called his piece the all-encompassing 'Requiem for Mankind'.

This focus on inclusivity resonates with modern audiences, and the music is inspiring, ranging from heaven-storming choruses to moments of hushed

intimacy. The Lyddington performance will be accompanied by two excellent pianists vying for space on a single piano, always a spectacle the singers enjoy, and conducted by Charlie Penn. The soprano soloist will be Felicity Hamilton, who has been working with the choir as a vocal coach especially for this event. The concert starts at 7.30 with tickets at £15 from [www.harboroughsingers.com](http://www.harboroughsingers.com) or the Old White Hart in Lyddington, and also by email, [julia@unna.co.uk](mailto:julia@unna.co.uk) or phone 07761 729558. We look forward very much to seeing you in Lyddington.

## **New from Langham Village History Group**

Langham Village History Group has recently published a booklet entitled 'Simon de Langham, Village Boy to Cardinal Bishop'. Born in Langham, circa 1310, Simon became a Benedictine monk and subsequently, Abbot of Westminster, Treasurer of the Exchequer, Bishop of Ely, Chancellor of England, Archbishop of Canterbury and finally a Cardinal Bishop. Simon died at Avignon in 1376 and is buried in the Chapel of St. Benedict in Westminster Abbey. The booklet, written by Caroline Webb, is based on research carried out over many years by the late Brenda Tew. Available from 16 Orchard Road, Langham (£3.00) or online via genfair <https://genfair.co.uk/> (£5.55 incl p/p)



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**Saturday 19th  
November  
09:30 - 12:00  
All Saints  
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**Pop-up Art and Craft Exhibition    Homemade Cakes and  
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# WARM ROOMS

Volunteers needed to help with a Warm Rooms pilot in All Saints Church, Oakham

We are planning to run a pilot 11am-2pm  
on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

If you can help with serving hot drinks, biscuits and chatting to visitors please contact Peter Harrison on 01572 368326

or 07427 853460

Or Vyv Wainwright on 01572 755752 or [vyv@oakhamteamministry.org.uk](mailto:vyv@oakhamteamministry.org.uk)

We would love to hear from you

All Saints Church, Oakham  
All Churches Community Event Evening

Friday 4th November 2022

Starting at 6:30pm - 8:15pm

Light Refreshments Provided



Suzie Langton Music

A wonderful evening is on the cards from Suzie, a versatile solo act who covers many genres of popular music to delight and entertain, enjoy an evening which is being delivered by this delightful young musical expert.

**This event is FREE to attend - no strings.**

It is in recognition of all the work our Church Volunteers and wider Congregation give to our Church's through their time, worship, support and yes your regular annual giving.

To HELP Adam plan refreshments I need to ensure I know who is coming - please add your name to the list at your Church or e-mail Adam direct on [adamfromoakham@gmail.com](mailto:adamfromoakham@gmail.com)

**ALL ARE WELCOME - please let me know you are coming**

## Rutland Foodbank Wish-List Autumn / Harvest 2022



Long-life sponge puddings & custard  
Tinned spaghetti / macaroni cheese  
Tinned veggies esp. carrots & sweetcorn  
Noodles & pot noodles  
Tinned meat pies (not veggie or vegan)  
Jars of cook-in sauces and stir-in pots  
Cereal bars  
Snack packs for children



## Not Needed at the Moment

We are well stocked with baked beans, tinned soup, cereals, tea, squash, biscuits, loo rolls, dog & cat food so please do not donate these

Please note we cannot accept alcohol, fresh, homemade, open or out of date foods



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07582 783363 or email us [info@rutland.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@rutland.foodbank.org.uk)

36 Melton Road, Oakham, LE15 6AY (next to Domino Pizza)

We are open to receive donations Mon-Fri 10.00 – 12.00

## Bereavement Support Group

Losing a loved one is painful. It may also be complicated, long lasting and revive in response to life's stresses. The All Saints Bereavement Support Group aims to accompany and comfort people as they carry their grief, whatever their faith (or none) and however long ago their loss. We offer the following services.

**1 Drop-In Group** in All Saints Church Hall on the last Friday of the month between 10.30 and 12.00noon. All are welcome. Members of the Support Team will be there to listen, provide tea or coffee, and can signpost to other services if needed. There is no need to book - just turn up on the day.

**2 One-to-one Support.** We have a limited capacity for on- to-one support – either in people's homes, at the Church or over the phone. We can only offer this to people who live in the parishes of the Oakham Team, but you do not need to be part of the church or have a faith. Contacts are [bereavementsupport@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:bereavementsupport@oakhamteam.org.uk) or Madeleine Morris 07754 414437

**3 Remembering.** As part of our church services, those who have died and their families are remembered in prayer - particularly in the early weeks and on 'year's mind'. We also send out first anniversary cards to the next of kin listed on the church registers, to let people know they and their loved ones are remembered. Annual All Souls Services are held in early November in many of our churches for those who have died.

The next 'Drop in' meetings will be on Friday 28 October.

In aid of Langham Church

# Quiz Night

Friday 21st October  
7pm for 7.30pm start  
Langham Village Hall

## What's happening

£10 PER HEAD

TEAMS OF UP TO 8

PLOUGHMAN'S MEAL INCLUDED IN TICKET

BYO DRINKS - GLASSES PROVIDED

Booking essential. Contact: [Debbie\\_Sowter@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Debbie_Sowter@hotmail.co.uk)

# Praying Alone, Praying Together



*Morning Prayer is streamed live on Facebook at 8.30am from Monday to Friday and is available after that on Facebook and the website.*

## Readings and Collect Prayer for the coming week.

Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday 10 October	Psalm 71 Acts 21.37-22.21	Psalm 72 1 Kings 21
Tuesday 11 October	Psalm 73 Acts 22.22-23.11	Psalm 74 1 Kings 22.1-28
Wednesday 12 October	Psalm 77 Acts 23.12-end	Psalm 119.81-104 1 Kings 22.29-45
Thursday 13 October	Psalm 78.1-39 Acts 24.1-23	Psalm 78.40-end 2 Kings 1.2-17
Friday 14 October	Psalm 55 Acts 24.24-25.12	Psalm 69 2 Kings 2.1-18
Saturday 15 October	Psalm 76 Acts 25.13-end	Psalm 84 2 Kings 4.1-37

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.