

Worship for the Week Praying, learning, serving, sharing

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity 9 October 2022



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Letter from the Team Vicar

Dear Friends,

We always seem to be thinking about worship! Probably that's just the impression I get, being the vicar. There are though always decisions to be made – not least about music in worship.

At Brooke, we are holding services through the year that celebrate its rural and agricultural heritage. Regular attenders are joined by people from the wider community. What music and song then is appropriate? At Hambleton and Egleton there are services principally of Holy Communion at which bread and wine are blessed and distributed in ancient churches at the heart of their villages, which services are supplemented by others reflecting the season and offering opportunities to reach out to others. At Braunston, the church family held an awayday and urged a broadening of the music used in worship. So many decisions here! What type of music, how should it be balanced, what proportion live or recorded?

We all have our likes and dislikes. Our personal taste and the experiences that have formed us. But what are the important principles in the choosing of music and song in our churches? Apart from variety – we don't want to sing the same songs every week.

Some thoughts.

- Worship is about the glory of God and not about ourselves. We are singing his praises rather than enjoying ourselves!
- Nevertheless, not all hymns and songs are the same. he words and music of some set them apart and we are rightly concerned with quality.
- What is happening at a particular point in the service? An opening hymn praises God but also moves us into worship. What is chosen for during the administration of communion would have another purpose.
- Accessibility is another question. Starting with whether enough people know it. Or, can we learn it? Is it too high or too low for us to sing it well? Are there enough of us to cope? If we have visitors we need to be especially aware of how accessible the hymns and songs are.

Those are just some of the considerations. There is an old saying about learning our theology from what we sing rather than what is said from the pulpit. How a hymn speaks of God and how this connects with our daily lives are as important as anything. Let's be thankful for our music and our musicians.

Chris

Prayer and worship in the villages

Sunday Services

October 9 th	8.00am Brooke Holy Communion (BCP)	
	9.15am Hambleton Holy Communion	
	11.00am Braunston Sunday Worship	
October 16 th	9.15am Egleton Holy Communion	
	11.00am Braunston Holy Communion	
	6.00pm Brooke Harvest Thanksgiving	
October 23 rd	8.00am Brooke Holy Communion (BCP)	
	9.15am Hambleton Holy Communion	
	4.00pm Braunston Memories Service	
October 30th	II.00am Braunston Holy Communion (Joint service)	
November 6 th	9.15am Egleton Holy Communion	
	I I.00am Braunston Holy Communion	
	3pm Brooke Evening Prayer for Remembrance (BCP)	

Opening for private prayer

All Saints, Braunston daily 10am – 4pm. St Peter, Brooke, daily, 10am – 5pm. St Edmund, Egleton daily 10am – 4pm. St Andrew, Hambleton daily 10am – 4pm.

Online Services

The Sunday morning service is usually streamed from All Saints, Oakham at 10.30am.

Morning Prayer is streamed on Facebook at 8.30am, Monday to Friday each week. Chris & Heather usually lead the service on a Monday morning. These can all be accessed on Facebook (www.facebook.com/oakhamteam) or the Oakham Team website (www.oakhamteam.org.uk) either live or at any time afterwards.

Compline is also streamed on Wednesdays at 8.30pm on Facebook.

Live services can be found on the bottom right-hand side of the homepage of the website.

Sunday 9 October – Trinity 17

Holy Communion at St Peter's, Brooke

Collect for the day

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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.**

Reading – 2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c

The first reading is from the fifth chapter of the second book of Kings, beginning at the first verse.

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Here endeth the reading.

Gospel – Luke 17.11-19

The holy Gospel is written in the twelfth chapter of the Gospel of Luke, beginning at the forty ninth verse.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to the Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Second reading – 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David – that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to according to Luke. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

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foreigner?' Then he said to the Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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

The Peace

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.**

Post communion prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; 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.

Blessing

Dismissal

Sunday Worship at All Saints, Braunston

Psalm: |||

I	Alleluia.
	I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
2	The works of the Lord are great, ♦
3	sought out by all who delight in them. His work is full of majesty and honour ♦
4	and his righteousness endures for ever. He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds; ♦ the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
5	He gave food to those who feared him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
6	He showed his people the power of his works \blacklozenge in giving them the heritage of the nations.
7	The works of his hands are truth and justice; all his commandments are sure.
8	They stand fast for ever and ever; ♦ they are done in truth and equity.
9	He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; •
10	holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
10	a good understanding have those who live by it; his praise endures for ever.
	Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

All Saints Oakham Monday 10 October 7pm Living in Love and Faith (session 3) in church **Tuesday II October** 8.30am Morning Prayer (also online) 9am Holy Communion Wednesday 12 October 10am Holy Communion at St. John and St. Anne I Iam 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

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, Michael Hardy, 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, Mrs Adele Elliott, Revd Michael Hardy, 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. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

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. There is a separate book in the Trinity Chapel at All Saints, Oakham, which lists those who have ongoing health issues, or who are in constant need of care. Whenever you are All Saints, please feel free to open the book in the Trinity Chapel and pray for those named in it.

Living in Love and Faith

All Saints, Oakham

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'swebsite <u>www.churchofenglan</u> <u>d.org/resources/living-love-and-faith</u>

Lunchtime recitals All Saints, Oakham

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.

Warm Welcome Fridays

At the last meeting of All Saints Oakham 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 there will be a pilot event on Friday 28 October from 1 I am-2pm at All Saints Oakham. The scheme will need welcomers and people to make refreshments – could you help?

Remembrance Services

Friday II 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

There may also be other local services.

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 <u>https://genfair.co.uk/</u> (£5.55 incl p/p)

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.

I 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 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' meeting will be on Friday 28 October.

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 this week



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