

BRENTOR CHURCH

31st October 2021

All Saints Day

Morning Prayer

Led by Wendy Roderick



**We warmly welcome everyone
joining our service**

Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Give us the joy of your saving help

and sustain us with your life-giving Spirit.

We have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of God.
Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord God, we have sinned against you;

we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us according to your love.

Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.

**Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your
salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse *us* from *our* sins,
and restore *us* in his image to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessed is the Lord,

for he has heard the voice of our prayer;

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

and in our song will we praise our God.

Blessed are you, Lord our God,

creator and redeemer of all;
to you be glory and praise for ever.
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world
and in your great love fashioned us in your image.
Now, through the deep waters of death,
you have brought your people to new birth
by raising your Son to life in triumph.
May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts
as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:
Blessed be God for ever.

Opening Hymn: Hallelujah, Sing to Jesus (tune – Hyfrydol)

Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Hallelujah! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark, the songs of His redeemed ones
Thunder like a mighty flood:
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by His blood.

Hallelujah! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Hallelujah! He is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the clouds from sight received Him
When the forty days were o’er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
“I am with you evermore”?

Hallelujah! Bread of heaven,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Hallelujah! here the hungry
Come to Thee from day to day.
Advocate and Intercessor,
My Redeemer pleads for me,

On the throne of the Almighty
Now and to eternity.

Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Hallelujah! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark, the songs of His redeemed ones
Thunder like a mighty flood:
Jesus out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by His blood.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.
Amen.

First reading: Wisdom 3: v1-9

3 But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.

2 In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
3 and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

4 For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.

5 Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

6 like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

7 In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.

8 They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them forever.

⁹ Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Second Hymn: As the Deer Pants for the Water

As the deer pants for the water
So my soul longs after You
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye.

*You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King.
I love you more than any other
So much more than anything.

*You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.

And Christ shall give you light.

You have died and your life is hid with Christ in God.

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.

Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on the earth.

And Christ shall give you light.

When Christ our life appears you will appear with him in glory.

**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead,
and Christ shall give you light.**

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is said or sung

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,
To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to
guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

**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.**

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

All Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel reading: John 11: v32-44

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Third Hymn: There is A Redeemer

There is a redeemer
Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One

Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain

*Thank you, oh my father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
'Till the work on Earth is done*

When I stand in Glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place

*Thank you, oh my father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
'Till the work on Earth is done*

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,**

the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession are offered.

The COLLECT is said.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

Final Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,

who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

3 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends their burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.**

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

Please pray for all who are ill or anxious at home or in hospital, and those who have asked for our prayers:

Nick & Julie, Lydia, Margaret, Lin Bristow, Beryl, Peter Cameron, Dave, Natasha Brenchley, Izzy, Fran and family, Becky, Rafe

Please pray for the souls of the recently departed, Jess, especially her family Sarah and friends.

Please pray for Nicola and Jason and their families as they are preparing for their marriage.

Your prayers this week are asked for:

Mon- The COP26 Conference, leaders and delegates.

Tues- Everyone clearing up after the flooding.

Wed- Schools and Colleges back following half term.

Thurs- The Fishing community dealing with fishing rights disputes.

Fri- The Brentor and Moor Compassionate Neighbours and their continuing care in our communities.

Sat- The Church families around the World.

This Evening:

6pm: All Souls Service at Christ Church with Helen and David Harris

Next week:

9:45am: Holy Communion at Christ Church with the Reverend Tony Vigars

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