

All Saints Church Worship Profile

The Anglican and Methodists are now a single congregation meeting for Sunday Worship at 10:00 am. Average attendance is about 60. Holy Communion is a part of each Sunday's service.

The Anglican Parish is led by the Priest in Charge with two Lay Readers and a Non-stipendiary curate available to lead Worship and preach. . Currently there is also an ordinand who is attached to the parish as part of her training. We now also have a Methodist worship leader. Our Minister leads worship or preaches on the 4th Sunday. Methodist Local Preachers will normally be planned to be largely responsible for the service on the 2nd Sunday.

The monthly Sunday pattern is:

1st Family Eucharist, that uses a liturgy devised locally, based on 1980 Alternative Service Book, and suitable for all ages

2nd Morning Worship with Holy Communion, normally to be led by **Methodist Local Preacher**. , This is a more reflective service, based on Methodist practice. The communion will be celebrated by an Anglican priest. Please see below for further guidance.

3rd Parish Communion – from the C of E “Common Worship”

4th Ecumenical Eucharist. A locally devised order of service based on both traditions of Communion, which has been in use at Joint services for a number of years.

The ASK children's group meets for the first part of the service, except for the family service. They come in at the fourth hymn for a blessing during communion.

We follow the lectionary (Anglican version, which occasionally deviates from what is in the Circuit Plan). Normally 3 lessons are read, with members of the congregation reading the first two and the preacher reading the Gospel. Generally the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible is read. On the first Sunday only one reading precedes the Gospel.

Most weeks the intercessions are led by a member of the congregation. We have a rota of readers and intercessors.

Our two main Hymn books are Hymns & Psalms and Hymns Old and New. We are fortunate to have the help of a good organist for our music.

The church is fitted with a sound system that also incorporates an induction loop to support hearing devices. Recorded material can also be played through the system.

Morning Worship – 2nd Sunday of month. Local Preacher led

The notices are given at the start of this service.

The LP is asked to select the all the hymns and plan the first part of the service. It is suggested that this part will include:

- Notices
- Call to Worship
- First 3 Hymns
- Prayers of Adoration, Thanksgiving and Confession.
It may be appropriate for the celebrating priest to say words of forgiveness
- The collection – taken during a hymn, normally the second but brought forward with the offering of bread and wine in the hymn before communion

- The readings (2 local readers will be available)
- The sermon
- Intercessions (normally locally led and following the sermon)
- All Saints Prayer and Lord's Prayer

The Peace and Grace concludes the first part of the service which is complete in itself
(The Peace will normally be led by the priest)

Hymn 4 – The collection, bread and wine are brought forward and the table prepared for the Communion

The Eucharistic Prayer and other communion prayers.

Communion is distributed; the LP is usually invited to share in distributing the bread.

Prayer after Communion

Final Hymn

Blessing and Dismissal

An example of the Order of Worship, including the Sacrament, is also available from website

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