

Guidance for St George's Church, Wilton's 9am Service



ST GEORGE'S

A Traditional service of Holy Communion

Based on the **Book of Common Prayer** adapted in Contemporary Language

Introduction

This service is a temporary format purposed for the transition from online services to being gathered again in the church building. [An informal 'online' service will continue to be available on our YouTube channel each Sunday from 10am onwards]

What will the Church look like?

We have tried to keep the Church as close to how it has always looked so you should not notice too much difference when you come in.

- Many of the leaflets will have been removed to avoid any contamination and instead there will be hand sanitiser there with paper towels for you to use.
- The kneelers will have been removed from the altar.

What will be expected of me for the service?

- We ask that you observe social distancing.
- Please sit where a Welcomer will direct you to. If you are with your partner, or 'social bubble', you will be able to sit with them, but we must ensure that all those from other households are socially distanced in different pews.
- Whilst in the church we ask that you don't engage in conversations, personal greetings, or turning round in your seats. Please do enjoy catching up with each other outside of the church building, but keeping well clear of the entrance area.
- We request that everyone takes advantage of sanitising their hands when entering AND exiting the church building.
- You are invited to join in the responses, as shown on the screen, but please speak the words quietly (sotto voce).
- On a temporary basis we now remain seated for the Creed and for the reading of The Gospel.
- In line with present restrictions there is no kneeling at the Altar rail - Holy Communion will be received standing – you will be directed where to stand and asked to wait socially distanced.
- As we can not offer the chalice, it will be the wafer only. The Priest will drop the wafer into your hand.

What will the service be like?

- It is a traditional service following the Book of Common Prayer adapted into modern language.
- Pre-recorded music will be played before and after the service.
- As we cannot use books or orders of service, the words and responses will be on the screen for you to follow.
- The service should last about half an hour including the short sermon.