



Sunday Service 10 January 2021



Welcome

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Responses and Prayer of Praise

1 Kings 8v23

Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below – you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way.

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Hymn

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 peace, whose power a spectre sways.
From pole to pole, that wars may cease: and all be prayer and praise!
His name shall know no end, and round his pierced feet,
Fair flowers of paradise extend, their fragrance ever sweet.

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.

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS OUR SINS

Confession

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.

God's Promise of Forgiveness

1 Kings 8v30

Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Words of Thanks and Praise (Stand)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

GOD CALLS US TO SERVE HIM

Bible Reading

Isaiah 45v1-13

¹ This is what the Lord says to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I take hold of to subdue nations before him and to strip kings of their armour, to open doors before him so that gates will not be shut:

² I will go before you and will level the mountains; I will break down gates of bronze and cut through bars of iron.

³ I will give you hidden treasures, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the Lord, the God of Israel, who summons you by name.

⁴ For the sake of Jacob my servant, of Israel my chosen, I summon you by name and bestow on you a title of honour, though you do not acknowledge me.

⁵ I am the Lord, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me,

⁶ so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting people may know there is none besides me. I am the Lord, and there is no other.

⁷ I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the Lord, do all these things.

⁸ You heavens above, rain down my righteousness; let the clouds shower it down. Let the earth open wide, let salvation spring up, let righteousness flourish with it; I, the Lord, have created it.

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

⁹ 'Woe to those who quarrel with their Maker, those who are nothing but potsherd among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter "What are you making?" Does your work say, "The potter has no hands"?'"

¹⁰ Woe to the one who says to a father, "What have you begotten?" or to a mother, "What have you brought to birth?"

¹¹ 'This is what the Lord says – the Holy One of Israel, and its Maker: concerning things to come, do you question me about my children, or give me orders about the work of my hands?'

¹² It is I who made the earth and created mankind on it. My own hands stretched out the heavens; I marshalled their starry hosts.

¹³ I will raise up Cyrus in my righteousness: I will make all his ways straight. He will rebuild my city and set my exiles free, but not for a price or reward, says the Lord Almighty.'

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

Sermon

Words of belief (stand)

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.**

**means universal*

Collect, Prayers of intercession and Lord's Prayer

Epiphany 1

Merciful Lord, receive the prayers of your people who call upon you and grant that we may know those things we ought to do and also have the grace and power faithfully to perform them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn

When peace, like a river, attends all my way,
when sorrows like sea-billows roll,
whatever my path, you have taught me to say,
'It is well, it is well with my soul.'

'It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.'

2. Though Satan may buffet, though trials may come,
let this calm assurance control:

that Christ knows my need and my helplessness here
and has shed his own blood for my soul.

3. The joy, O the joy of this glorious thought!
my sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

4. For me it is Christ, it is Christ now to live!
Though death's waters over me roll,
no fear shall be mine, for in death as in life
you will whisper your peace to my soul.

5. But, Lord, for your coming in glory we wait;
the sky, not the grave, is our goal;
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend:
bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul!

Blessing

Ephesians 3v19

May you know this love of Christ that surpasses knowledge--that you may be filled to the measure of all the fulness of God.

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