



Sunday Service 17 January 2021



Welcome

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Responses and Prayer of Praise

Proverbs 3v19-20

*By wisdom the Lord laid the earth's foundations,
by understanding he set the heavens in place;
by his knowledge the watery depths were divided,
and the clouds let drop the dew.*

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

Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the name! I'm fixed upon it, Name of Thy redeeming love

2. Hitherto Thy love has blessed me, Thou hast brought me to this place
And I know Thy hand will bring me, Safely home by Thy good grace
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

3. Oh to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, oh take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above

4. Oh that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face
Full arrayed in blood-washed linen, How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, Bring Thy promises to pass
For I know Thy pow'r will keep me, Till I'm home with Thee at last

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

Proverbs 3v7-8

Do not be wise in your own eyes;

fear the Lord and shun evil.

This will bring health to your body

and nourishment to your bones.

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

Romans 8v28-39

²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

'For your sake we face death all day long;

we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.'

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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.

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Collect, Prayers of intercession and Lord's Prayer

Epiphany 2

Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth: in mercy hear the prayers of your people and grant us your peace throughout our lives; 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.

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God almighty! Early in the morning

Our song shall rise to Thee: Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns

Around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Who were, and are, and ever more shall be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man

Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Blessing

Psalm 20v1-2

May the LORD answer you when you are in distress; may the name of the God of Jacob protect you. May he send you help from the sanctuary and grant you support from Zion.

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