



Sunday Service

21 March 2021



GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Responses and Prayer of Praise

Revelation 1v4-5

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

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

Hymn

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty, Hold me with Thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me now and ever more, Feed me
now and ever more.

2. Open Thou the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be
Thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee, I will ever give to
Thee.

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS OUR SINS

Confession

The Lent Collect, used as our Confession

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: make in us new and contrite hearts so that, lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God's Promise of Forgiveness

Revelation 1v5-6

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father--to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

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

Psalm 66v1-7

1 Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

2 Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.

3 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you.

4 All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing the praises of your name.'

5 Come and see what God has done, his awesome deeds for mankind!

6 He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot – come, let us rejoice in him.

7 He rules for ever by his power, his eyes watch the nations – let not the rebellious rise up against him.

GOD CALLS US TO SERVE HIM

Bible Reading

Acts 16v16-40

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

Sermon

Words of belief

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

Lent 5

Almighty God, look mercifully upon your people so that by your great goodness we may be always governed and preserved both in body and soul, 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

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2. Jesus, the name that calms our fears and bids our sorrows cease;
this music in the sinner's ears is life and health and peace.

3. He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

4. He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

5. Hear him ye deaf; his praise ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ:
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

6. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of your name.

Blessing

Jude 24-25

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy - to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and for evermore! Amen.

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