

Song before Service (Music Group)

See what a morning

Countdown, Welcome & Theme of Service

The story of Easter

Worship in Song (organ Common Praise 127)

(Rainbows & Brownies bring forward flags)

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God
All the vain things that charm me most
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Video - the story of Easter

Rainbows Pictures

Jesus arrest & trial

Worship in Song (Music Group)

Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid

Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns

Oh that rugged cross my salvation
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah
Praise and honour unto Thee

Sent of heaven God's own Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree

Bridge

Now my debt is paid, it is paid in full
By the precious blood, that my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free oh is free indeed

See the stone is rolled away
Behold the empty tomb
Hallelujah God be praised
He's risen from the grave

Bible Reading-Peter denies Jesus (Brownies)
John 18.15-18 & 25-27 (Church Bible page 904)

Jesus before Pilate

Worship in Song (organ Common Praise 123)

There is a green hill far away
Without a city wall,
Where the dear Lord was crucified
Who died to save us all.

We may not know, we cannot tell
What pains he had to bear;
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.

He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might go at last to heaven
Saved by his precious blood.

There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin.
He only could unlock the gate
Of heaven, and let us in.

O dearly, dearly has he loved,
And we must love him too
And trust in his redeeming blood,
And try his works to do.

Jesus is crucified

Confession - saying sorry

Lord Jesus Christ, we confess we have failed
you as did your disciples, and we ask for your
mercy and your help:

When we are tempted to betray you for the
sake of selfish gain: Christ have mercy;

Lord forgive us and help us.

When we do not keep watch in prayer, and will not
share the pain of your suffering: Christ have mercy;

Lord forgive us and help us.

When we allow the world to silence you, and run
away from those who abuse you: Christ have mercy;

Lord forgive us and help us.

When we will not confess your name, and fear
the consequences of being known to belong to
you: Christ have mercy;

Lord forgive us and help us.

When we spurn your dying love, and will not offer
you the sacrifice of our lives: Christ have mercy;

Lord forgive us and help us.

**Cleanse us from our sins by your precious
blood, and graciously restore us to your
service; for your praise and glory. Amen.**

A Creed

Do you believe in God?

**I believe in God the Father who made me and
all the world.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God who
came to this earth to be my Saviour. He died
for my sins on the cross, rose again from the
dead, ascended to the Father in heaven and
will come again in his glory as the Judge of all
people.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, whom God gives to all
who trust in Christ. He makes me more like Jesus,
guides and strengthens me in my daily life, and
helps me to serve God in the family of the Church.**

Worship in Song

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Drama - The empty tomb (Brownies)

The disciples see Jesus

Prayers

Most merciful God, who by the death and
resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered
and saved the world: grant that by faith in him
who suffered on the cross we may triumph in
the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ
your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns
with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

At the end: Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers for the sake of your
Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Offertory Prayer

Everything in heaven and earth comes from you, Lord. We give you only what is yours. / May you be praised forever and ever. Amen.

Worship in Song

(Rainbows & Brownies parade out with flags)

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

Blessing

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Music as we leave: *(music group)*

My song is love unknown *(organ CP112)*