

***Worship in Song***

There is a hope

***Welcome & Introduction***

***Video*** - *Barnabas helps the church in Antioch*

***Worship in Song***

With a prayer you fed the hungry  
With a cry you stilled the storm  
With a look you had compassion  
On the desperate and forlorn  
With a touch you healed the leper  
With a shout you raised the dead  
With a word expelled the demons  
With a blessing broke the bread

Love incarnate love divine  
Captivate this heart of mine  
Till all I do speaks of you

As a sheep before the shearer  
You were silent in your pain  
You endured humiliation  
At the hands of those you'd made  
And as hell unleashed its fury  
You were lifted on a tree  
Crying Father God forgive them  
Place their punishment on me

I will feed the poor and hungry  
I will stand up for the truth  
I will take my cross and follow  
To the corners of the earth  
And I ask that you so fill me  
With your peace your power your breath  
That I never love my life so much  
To shrink from facing death

***Confession***

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. **Amen.**

***Special Prayer for Today***

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; 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.**

***Bible Reading***

Acts 11.19-30 (*Church Bible page 920*)

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Sermon***

***Worship in Song***

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Saviour he will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to him  
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

### ***The Nicene Creed***

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy**

**catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### ***Prayers***

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

### ***Banns & Notices***

#### ***The Peace***

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

#### ***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.**

#### ***The Eucharistic Prayer H***

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son. **You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of  
you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of  
sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his  
rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this  
bread and this wine may be to us the body  
and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us  
one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our  
voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and  
might, heaven and earth are full of your  
glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

**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.**

### ***Breaking of the Bread***

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

### ***Giving of Communion***

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our  
Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his  
blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in  
remembrance that he died for you, and feed on  
him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*We receive communion*

### ***Worship in Song***

I will sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me,  
How he left the realms of glory  
For the cross on Calvary.  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me,  
Sing it with his saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

I was lost, but Jesus found me,  
Found the sheep that went astray,  
Raised me up and gently led me  
Back into the narrow way,  
Days of darkness still may meet me,  
Sorrow's path I oft may tread,  
But his presence still is with me,  
By his guiding hand I'm led.

He will keep me till the river  
Rolls its waters at my feet  
Then he'll bear me safely over,  
Made by grace for glory meet.  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me,  
Sing it with his saints in glory,  
Gathered by the crystal sea.

### ***Worship in Song***

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son  
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And now let the weak say 'I am strong',  
Let the poor say 'I am rich',  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
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Let the poor say 'I am rich',  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

### ***Worship in Song***

From the breaking of the dawn  
To the setting of the sun  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of your word  
Words of power strong to save  
That will never pass away  
I will stand on every promise of your word

For your covenant is sure  
And on this I am secure  
I can stand on every promise from your word

When I stumble and I sin  
Condemnation pressing in  
I will stand on every promise of your word  
You are faithful to forgive  
That in freedom I might live  
So I stand on every promise of your word  
Guilt to innocence restored  
You remember sins no more  
So I'll stand on every promise of your word

When I'm faced with anguished choice  
I will listen for your voice  
And I'll stand on every promise of your word  
Through this dark and troubled land  
You will guide me with your hand  
As I stand on every promise of your word  
And you've promised to complete  
Every work begun in me  
So I'll stand on every promise of your word

Hope that lifts me from despair  
Love that casts out every fear  
As I stand on every promise of your word  
Not forsaken not alone  
For the Comforter has come  
And I stand on every promise of your word  
Grace sufficient grace for me  
Grace for all who will believe  
We will stand on every promise of your word

### ***Prayer after Communion***

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus  
Christ. Through him we offer you our souls  
and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out  
in the power of your Spirit to live and work to  
your praise and glory. **Amen.**

### ***Worship in Song***

There is a hope that burns within my heart,  
That gives me strength for every passing day  
A glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part,  
Yet drives all doubt away:

I stand in Christ, with sins forgiven;  
And Christ in me, the hope of heaven.  
My highest calling and my deepest joy,  
To make his will my home.

There is a hope that lifts my weary head,  
A consolation strong against despair,  
That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit  
I find the Saviour there.  
Through present sufferings, future's fear,  
He whispers 'courage' in my ear.  
For I am safe in everlasting arms,  
And they will lead me home.

There is a hope that stands the test of time,  
That lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave,  
To see the matchless beauty of a day divine  
When I behold his face.  
When sufferings cease and sorrows die,  
And every longing satisfied.  
Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,  
For I am truly home

### ***Blessing***

Be with us, Lord, as we go out into the world.  
May the lips that have sung your praises  
always speak the truth; may the ears which  
have heard your Word listen only to what is  
good and may our lives as well as our worship  
be always pleasing in your sight, for the glory  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And may 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***

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