

***Worship in Song***

We are his kingdom we are his bride

***Welcome*** Theme - *God's presence among us*

***Worship in Song***

How good it is to sing, to bring our praise to him  
Whose love and mercy knows no end  
He brings the sun and rain, he calls each star by name  
The universe resounds with praise

O shout for joy to God and sing a new song  
Extol the Lord of life for his provision  
And he delights in those who love and fear him  
All those who put their hope in God

He gathers families, orphans and refugees  
And binds the wounds of those who mourn  
The humble lifted high, the proud He casts aside  
His justice faithful as the dawn

What friend or foe can last, before his icy blast  
The winds and waves obey his voice  
Yet mercy will prevail, his love will reconcile  
The nations of the earth to him

***Video*** - *Jos' Story*

***Confession***

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.**

***Assurance of God's Forgiveness***

May God the Father forgive us by the death of his Son and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days. **Amen.**

***Special Prayer for Today***

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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***

Matthew 18.15-20 (*Church Bible page 823*)

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

***Sermon***

***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

### ***An Affirmation of Faith***

We believe the grace of God has dawned upon us with healing for all the world, and so we rejoice to declare our faith in him:

**We trust in God the Father, who has revealed his love and kindness to us, and in his mercy saved us, not for any good deed of our own, but because he is merciful.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, who gave himself up for us to free us from our sin, and set us apart for himself a people eager to do good.**

**We trust in the Holy Spirit, whom God poured out on us generously through Christ our saviour so that justified by grace we might become heirs with the hope of eternal life. Amen.**

### ***Prayers***

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

### ***Notices***

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

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

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

### ***Offertory Prayer***

**Lord Jesus Christ, you emptied yourself, taking the form of a servant. Through your love, make us servants of one another. Lord Jesus Christ, for our sake you became poor. May our lives and gifts enrich the life of your world. Amen.**

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

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 indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

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

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

### ***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***

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

### ***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***

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay  
For we can only wonder at every gift you send  
At blessings without number and mercies  
without end  
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon  
your word  
We honour and adore you, our great and  
mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love  
we bring  
That we who know your favour may serve you  
as our king  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with  
good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to  
bless you still  
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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You laid aside your majesty,  
Gave up ev'rything for me,  
Suffered at the hands of those you had created  
You took all my guilt and shame,  
When you died and rose again;  
Now today you reign, in heaven and earth exalted

I really want to worship you my Lord,  
You have won my heart and I am yours  
For ever and ever; I will love you.  
You are the only one who died for me,  
Gave your life to set me free,  
So I lift my voice to you in adoration.

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For us he paid the price, for us he bled and died  
We are his people his treasured prize  
For us he conquered sin for he is risen

With thankfulness we will sing  
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So we declare the praises  
Of Jesus Saviour and King  
He is the cornerstone Hallelujah  
And now we stand as his church  
Until the day when he comes in glory, hallelujah

We are a priesthood beloved ones  
He draws the scattered near  
He builds his kingdom here  
A holy nation now set apart  
To be his hands and feet  
To speak his mercy

With thankfulness we will sing  
Adopted now we are his

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

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of glory, the King above all kings

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love  
That you would take my place  
That you would bear my cross  
You laid down your life, that I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that you've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of glory, the King of glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of glory the King above all kings

### ***Bridge***

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

### ***Blessing***

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you **and also with you.**

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.**