

Worship in Song

Lord Jesus you have built your church

Welcome & Words of Introduction

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In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from heaven you came running
There was mercy in your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory, majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

And the morning that you rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By his blood and in His Name
In his freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Who is the Holy Spirit?

Confession

When we don't know how or what to pray, God's Spirit knows. When all we can muster are sighs and groans, the Holy Spirit knows those also. When we feel that we aren't even worthy to approach God, the Spirit, the Comforter, goes before us and with us and God welcomes us with arms open. So let us confess our sins together, saying:

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.

Assurance of Pardon

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The proof of God's love is that while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, our sins are forgiven and we can approach the throne of God in confidence. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Special Prayer for Today

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Bible Reading

Acts 2.1-21 (*Church Bible page 909*)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

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Come set your rule and reign in our hearts again
Increase in us we pray, unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are your church, we need your power in us

We seek your kingdom first, we hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives, for you're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are your church, we pray revive this earth

Build your kingdom here, let the darkness fear
Show your mighty hand, heal our streets and land
Set your church on fire, win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build your kingdom here we pray

Unleash your kingdom's power
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are your church, we are the hope on earth

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.

Notices

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his
seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to
come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our
hearts. Alleluia.

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

Hymn played to conclude The Peace

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Offertory Prayer

Lord God, take our hearts and set them on fire for you. Take our lives and transform them to be like that of Jesus. Take our church and resurrect it with your life-giving Spirit. Take our gifts and use them for the fulfilment of your vision of peace and unity. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

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

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 - during communion

Be still for the presence of the Lord
The Holy One is here
Come bow before him now
With reverence and fear
In him no sin is found,
We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord
The Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour he is crowned

How awesome is the sight,
Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal
To minister his grace
No work too hard for him,
In faith receive from him
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place

Worship in Song - during communion
Holy Spirit living breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause your word to come alive in me,
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,
May your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude:
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth,
Cause your church to hunger for your ways.
May the fragrance of our prayers arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of
Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and
opening to every race and nation the way of
life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that
every tongue may tell of your glory; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Lord Jesus you have built your church
You are our faithful living Head
Across the years the flame has passed
Across the earth the light has spread

Lord Jesus build your church today
May we be faithful to your word
Delighting in its glorious truth
Rejoicing in its gracious Lord

Keep us in the faith
Make us one in Christ
Pressing on in hope to win the prize
Let the light still shine
May the flame burn bright
Till the day your glory fills the skies

Lord Jesus build your church today
May we be faithful to your love
One body bound by bonds of peace
One holy bride for Christ our God

Lord Jesus build your church today
May we be faithful to proclaim
To go and make your gospel known
To go and magnify your name

Blessing

May the Father from whom every family in earth
and heaven receives its name strengthen you
with his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ
may dwell in your hearts by faith; 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.