

*Welcome*

*Worship in Song*

Come and hear the wondrous love  
The mighty God who reigns above  
Has entered in to dwell with us - hallelujah

On the earth our Saviour lived  
The Son of Man the servant King  
By his death he bore our sin - hallelujah

The fight is over the battle done  
The victory of life is won  
The song of triumph has begun - hallelujah

The powers of hell had seemed to win  
But Christ has conquered death and sin  
Let's raise our voices for our King - hallelujah

For very soon he will return  
And place all things beneath his throne  
And take us to our heavenly home - hallelujah

So now by faith we persevere  
And in his strength we will not fear  
For as we meet our God is here - hallelujah

*Confession*

Father, we confess that we have often sought  
our own kingdoms, our own will, our own  
desires rather than your own. We have not  
loved you with our whole hearts, nor loved  
our neighbours as ourselves. Forgive us,  
Lord. Restore us as citizens of your kingdom,  
shaped by your righteousness, led by your  
Spirit, and anchored in your grace.

*Assurance of Forgiveness*

Hear the good news: the Lord has rescued us  
from the dominion of darkness, and brought  
us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in  
whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of  
sins. In Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. We are children of the  
kingdom.

*Special Prayer for Today*

Almighty God, who reigns over all the heavens  
and the earth, grant that we, your servants,  
may seek first your kingdom and your  
righteousness, so that, by your Spirit, we may  
reflect your justice, peace, and love in this  
world, and be made ready for the coming of  
your Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Bible Readings*

Psalm 145.1-13 (*Church Bible page 524*)

Revelation 11.15-19 (*Church Bible page 1034*)

*Sermon*

*Worship in Song*

Rejoice in the Lord now and always  
Sing it again we rejoice  
Delight in the love he has shown us  
Gratefully lift up your voice  
His gentleness among us will join our hearts with praise  
We gather in his goodness, a family of grace

With each breath he's given praise the Lord  
In these times we live in we will praise the Lord  
Throughout every season I am sure  
We have every reason to praise the Lord

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing  
Praying for all that you need  
Come with a song of thanksgiving  
Lay your requests at his feet  
His peace will fall upon us to guard our hearts and minds  
In Christ who reigns eternal, shepherd of our lives

Rejoice in the Lord now and always  
Tell of the good he has done  
Worship the Lord to remember  
All of the joy yet to come  
The hope that burns within us the dark cannot destroy  
With praise that's never ending, we say again rejoice

### *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.

### *The Peace*

The Kingdom of God is a kingdom of peace, where justice and mercy meet and where Christ, our Prince of Peace, reigns. As citizens of this kingdom, let us share his peace with one another.

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

### *Worship in Song*

Great is he like none before  
Son of God the living word  
Oh praise oh sing praise  
He walked the waves of Galilee  
Raised the dead and calmed the sea  
Give thanks to his name

Praise the King of Majesty  
Praise the Lamb who died for me  
Praise the Christ our victory  
We'll sing forever great is he  
Jesus our Saviour great is he

Then he died on Calvary  
The bravest one there'll ever be  
His love made a way  
No heart could carry what he held  
Our sin upon his shoulders fell  
Oh grace oh such grace

See he reigns in glory now  
Every worldly kingdom bow  
To him all to him  
He rules above all time and space  
Yet in his heart we have a place  
Lift high heaven's King

### *Bridge*

Hallelujah, there is no one greater than you  
Jesus King Jesus

### *Offertory Prayer*

The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. By his mercy we present not just our money but our whole lives to God as a living sacrifice. 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.

You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore 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.

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness. Amen. Lord, we believe.

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory. Amen. Lord, we believe.

On the night he gave up himself for us all he 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. Amen. Lord, we believe.

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. Amen. Lord, we believe.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory. Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight. Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high. Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, 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 - 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*

A thousand generations falling down in worship  
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb  
And all who've gone before us  
And all who will believe  
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest  
Your name is the greatest  
Your name stands above them all  
All thrones and dominions  
All powers and positions  
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry, 'Holy'  
All creation cries, 'Holy'  
You are lifted high, holy, holy forever

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
If you walk in freedom and if you bear his name  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
We'll sing the song forever and amen

Hear your people sing, 'Holy'  
To the King of kings, 'Holy'  
You will always be holy, holy forever

### *Prayer after Communion*

Gracious God, we thank you for the reminder  
of the death and sacrifice of our Lord, Jesus  
Christ and of our salvation in this holy meal.  
As we have received Christ's body and blood,  
may we be strengthened to live as citizens of  
your eternal kingdom. Help us to share your  
love and grace with the world, proclaiming  
that your kingdom will have no end. Amen.

### *Worship in Song*

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul  
Worship his holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger  
Your name is great and your heart is kind  
For all your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

### *Blessing*

Go in peace; love and care for one another in  
Christ's name, and may God bless you with  
every gift needful for his work, may the Spirit  
grant you the willingness to risk yourself for  
the sake of the gospel, and may the love and  
compassion of Jesus dwell richly within you till  
the time of his coming both now and  
forevermore; and may the blessing of God  
almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit, be with you now and always. Amen.

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