

Welcome

Worship in Song

By faith, we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design;
In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith, our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of his promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign.

We will stand as children of the promise,
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith, the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith, the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news,
In every corner of the earth.

By faith, this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon his name.

Confession

Forgive us Lord, for our love of money and the desire only for our own contentment. Forgive us Lord, for our envy of those who are more successful than ourselves. Forgive us Lord, for our resentment to those who have more than us and our anger at life's unfairness. Forgive us Lord, when we place our security in our possessions. Forgive us Lord, for our lack of generosity. Forgive us Lord, when we forget that all that we have comes from you. O God, we ask that you would transform us and provide us victory over all greed. Amen.

If God kept track of all our mistakes, what chance would we have? But with unfailing love, God offers us forgiveness that blots out our sins completely by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus Christ, by his death on the cross. So be at peace, your sins are forgiven.

Praise be to you O God.

Prayer for Today

Lord God, Jesus taught us that we cannot love both God and money, and that life does not consist in an abundance of possessions. Teach us to be faithful stewards of our time, our talents and our money, that we may use them for the sake of the gospel and to extend your kingdom. **Amen.**

Talk

Bible Readings

2 Corinthians 8.1-5 & 9.6-9 (*Bible page 967*)
Luke 19.1-10 (*Church Bible page 878*)

Sermon

Worship in Song

My soul finds rest in God alone
My rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes
And I will not be shaken
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse
And lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness
I'll look to him who hears me

O praise him hallelujah,
My delight and my reward
Everlasting never failing,
My Redeemer my God

Find rest my soul in God alone
Amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold
I'll cling to my salvation

Though riches come and riches go
Don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow
Are harvested in heaven

I'll set my gaze on God alone
And trust in him completely
With every day pour out my soul
And he will prove his mercy
Though life is but a fleeting breath
A sigh too brief to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death
And I am his forever

O praise him O praise him
Hallelujah hallelujah

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.

Banns of Marriage & Notices

The Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith, heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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

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What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand
What comes apart from his command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

O sing hallelujah, our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah, now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is his grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ he lives Christ he lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

Offertory Prayer

Heavenly Father, your love for us is beyond measure. Help us to offer for your work a due proportion of what we have, in gratitude for what you have given us. This we pray in Jesus name who gave his very life for us. 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.

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

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

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he 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.

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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand. Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your

presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory. Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. Bring us at the last with all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in words 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 - during communion

If Christ is mine I need no more
He is the greatest gift of all
The one who angel hosts adore
Now has me safely in his hold
His life my life His death my death
All mine his every righteous breath
My precious child the Father cries
When all of Christ is all of mine

If Christ is mine my guilt is gone
It died with him upon the tree
The weight of sin I held so long
Was laid on Jesus there for me
O sweet forgiveness precious peace
Condemned no more my soul is free
My weary burden cast aside
When all of Christ is all of mine

If Christ is mine I will not fear
Though many stand against his name
Above their noise his voice is clear
Behold I've overcome the grave
My living Lord my risen king
What's left to fear if I'm with him
For death is swallowed up in life
When all of Christ is all of mine

What joy to know that Christ is mine
Who holds me ever in his love
The sure foundation of my life
Whose grace will always be enough
Though all I have is stripped away
Still I rejoice for Christ remains
And when he comes he'll lift me high
For all of Christ is all of mine

Worship in Song - during communion

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

Praise the Lord, his mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

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.**

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You my God have saved my soul
I am yours forevermore
I won't be moved of this I'm sure
You are my God and you saved my soul

I was lost when you came for me
Held in chains by the enemy
But you broke them in victory
Now I'm free I am free

You're my joy and you are my hope
I am saved by your grace alone
I will sing of your love for me
I am free I am free

Now I stand with the Kings of kings
He has paid for my every sin
And from now through eternity
I am free I am free

Bridge

What once was dead is now alive
You gave to me the breath of life
You brought me up out from the grave
I'm bursting out with songs of praise

Blessing

Go out from here with a pocket full of free gifts
to give to those you meet. Give freely your
love and concern as a token of the greater love
of God. Give freely your time and effort as a
token of the sacrifice of Jesus. Give freely your
help and friendship, as a token of the
upholding Spirit. And may all you give and all
you do cause others to seek the true gift of the
God who blesses without end. 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.