

Sunday Morning Service



Known by God
Comfort in Distress

Malachi 3:14-18

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Welcome

Prayer

We give you thanks
for all the ways that you bless our lives:
the beauty and abundance of nature,
the love of family and friends,
the joy of knowing you and hearing your word.
Send Your Spirit during this time of worship
so that we might dream your dreams
and see visions of the world as you created it to be.
Guide our thoughts and actions.
Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will
and dwell in your house forever.

Amen.

Song: Come Now is the Time to Worship

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

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Operation Christmas Child box blessing and Puppets

Interview with Richard Trist – Ridley Lecturer and Coordinator of Alumni Relations

Bible Reading: Malachi 3:14-18

¹⁴You have said, "It is vain to serve God. What do we profit by keeping his command or by going about as mourners before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵Now we count the arrogant happy; evildoers not only prosper, but when they put God to the test they escape."

¹⁶Then those who revered the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who revered the LORD and thought on his name. ¹⁷They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, my special possession on the day when I act, and I will spare them as parents spare their children who serve them. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

Exodus 2:23-25

²³After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. ²⁴God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. ²⁵God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

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Message

Song: On Eagles Wings

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord, "My Refuge"
My Rock in whom I trust"

**And He will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to Shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings, your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

You need not fear, the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day,
Though thousands fall, about you
Near you it shall not come.

For to His angels He's given a command,
To guard you in all of your ways,
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

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Thanks for the Offering

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God forever.

The Confession

**Heavenly Father,
You have loved us with an everlasting love,
But we have broken your holy laws
And have left undone what we ought to have done.
We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
Forgive us, cleanse us and change us.
By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayer of Absolution

God is slow to anger and full of compassion,
Forgiving all who humbly repent
And trust in his Son as Saviour and Lord
God therefore forgives you in Christ Jesus,
In whom there is no condemnation. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

Loving God,

We thank you for this world of wonder and delight.

You have given it to us to care for, so that all your creatures may
enjoy its bounty. Lord our God

We give you thanks and praise

We thank you that when we turned away from you, You sent Jesus to
live and work as one of us and bring us back to you. He showed us
how to love you and set us free to love and serve one another.

Lord our God,

We give you thanks and praise

We thank you that on the cross Jesus took away all our sin,
All that keeps us from each other and from you.

He frees us from hate and fear, from all that destroys love and trust.
Lord our God,

We give you thanks and praise

And so with everyone who believes in you,
With all the saints and angels, we rejoice and praise you, saying:

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

And now we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine;
May we who receive them, as Jesus said,
share the body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave thanks.
He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take and
eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup and gave you thanks. He shared the cup
with them and said, "This is my blood poured out so that sins may be
forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

You have gathered us together to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:
Fill us with your Spirit that we may follow Jesus in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace to this world that you
have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours forever and
ever. Amen.**

Prayers

Living God,
In this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
Which we have known in word and sacrament,
Continue your saving work among us,
Give us courage for our pilgrimage,
And bring us to the joys you promise.

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

Notices

Song: This Kingdom

Jesus God's righteousness revealed
The Son of Man the Son of God, His kingdom comes
Jesus redemption's sacrifice
Now glorified now justified, His kingdom comes

**And this kingdom will know no end
And its glory shall know no bounds
For the majesty and power
Of this kingdom's King has come
And this kingdom's reign, and this kingdom's rule
And this kingdom's power and authority
Jesus God's righteousness revealed**

Jesus the expression of God's love
The grace of God the Word of God, revealed to us
Jesus God's holiness displayed
Now glorified now justified His kingdom comes

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you,

And be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

And give you peace. **Amen.**