

Sunday 10am Sunday Service (O2 T1)
Renewal of Baptismal Vows with Bishop Paul Barker
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Welcome

Call to Worship

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: Sing to the King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign
Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain
Life and salvation His empire shall bring
And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

Come let us sing a song

A song declaring that we belong to Jesus

He is all we need

Lift up a heart of praise

Sing now with voices raised to Jesus

Sing to the King

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

Song: Your Grace is enough

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

(So) remember Your people

**Remember Your children, remember Your promise O God
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough for me**

Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

Yeah Your grace is enough, Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing Your grace is enough, I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me for me

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Multi-age Talk

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest, And peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Bible Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, doing the will of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else, but God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we may walk in them.

Message

Offering Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Thanks for the Offering

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us. In the upside down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give away. Let us give away generously, in this offering, To bless your church, your people, your creation.

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

Baptism is the gift of our Lord Jesus Christ. When he had risen from the dead he commanded his followers to go and make disciples of all nations baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Some, who have been baptised as infants, in recognition of and as a witness to the growth of their faith want to make a public testimony to their deepening relationship to Christ as Saviour and Lord by reaffirming their baptism vows and renewing their commitment.

And so we come together this morning as witnesses to this important step that Di and Rosemary are taking. To encourage them and to pray for them.

Before this congregation of your family and friends who are witnesses to this reaffirmation of your baptism vows you will be asked to express your own trust and commitment to the promises of God and your intention to continue and grow as a disciple of Christ and a member of his church.

Di and Rosemary, before God and this congregation I ask you now;

Do you repent of your sins? **I repent of my sins.**

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

I reject them all.

Do you renounce Satan and all evil? **I renounce all that is evil.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ, who has defeated the power of sin and death and brought us new life? **I turn to Christ.**

May God, your heavenly Father, strengthen you to resist Satan, and keep you close to Jesus all your lives. Amen.

Do you pledge yourself to God, trusting in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and in the Holy Spirit as Counsellor and Guide? **I pledge myself to God.**

Let us stand and affirm the faith of the Christian Church the faith into which we ourselves were baptised.

Do you believe in God, who made you and loves you?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, your Saviour and Lord?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified died and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, and the continuing work of our salvation?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

This is our faith;

this is the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Di and Rosemary, before God and this congregation I ask you now;

Do you promise to follow Christ in your daily life?

**With God's help, I will seek to love and obey Christ, and to grow in my
relationship with God through prayer and study of the Bible.**

Do you promise to be a faithful member of the Christian community?

**With God's help, I will share in the worship of the church, and support its
work with my time, talents and money.**

Do you promise to participate in God's mission to the world?

With God's help, I will witness to Christ in word and deed.

Di and Rosemary, God has ignited in you the flame of his love, his call to genuine discipleship and the recognition and use of the gifts he has given you, in his service and to the benefit of others.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

We celebrate with you the reaffirmation of your baptism promises

and will encourage you and one another to live out your discipleship in this church and in the world.

Prayer of Confession

In penitence and faith let us confess our sins to Almighty God

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,

We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed:

We have not loved you with our whole heart,

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;

We repent and are sorry for all our sins.

Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Declaration of forgiveness

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith, pardon you and set you free from all our sins, strengthen you to do his will, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World

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.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory

Are yours now and forever. Amen

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God. We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,

He offered the one true sacrifice for sin

And obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,

And with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever 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.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,

This bread and wine and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

"Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me".

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,

His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming again,

we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,

His one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,

and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:
**Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours forever and ever.
Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are
one body,
For we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament
of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and
feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament
you assure us of your goodness and love.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
and help us to grow in love and obedience
that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

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.**

Notices

Song: Shine Jesus Shine

Lord the light of Your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us

Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me shine on me

Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word Lord and let there be light

Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me shine on me

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
so our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me

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