

10am Sunday Service (O3)

30 April 2023

Welcome

Call to Worship

We gather together in the presence of God,
the Lord of heaven and earth:
the Creator of our world and everything in it;
the One who gave us life and breath,
the One who is never far away from any of us,
the One in whom we live and move and have our being.
Let's worship God together!

Song: Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Lord I lift your name on high
Lord I love to sing your praises
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us
You came from heaven to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift your name on High

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Song: God forgave my Sin

God forgave my sin in Jesus name
I've been born again in Jesus name
And in Jesus name I come to you
To share his love as He told me to

**He said freely, freely give
Go in my name and because you believe
Others will know that I live**

All power is given in Jesus name
In earth and heaven in Jesus name
And in Jesus name I come to you
To share his power as he told me to

God gives us life in Jesus' name
He lives in us in Jesus' name
And in Jesus name I come to you
To share his peace as he told me to

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Multi-age Talk (Bec)

Bible Reading: Titus 1 (Pat T)

1 Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and the knowledge of the truth that is in accordance with godliness, **2** in the hope of eternal life that God, who never lies, promised before the ages began— **3** in due time he revealed his word through the proclamation with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Saviour,

4 To Titus, my true child in the faith we share:

Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Saviour.

5 I left you behind in Crete for this reason, so that you should put in order what remained to be done and should appoint elders in every town, as I directed you: **6** someone who is blameless, married only once, whose children are believers, not accused of debauchery and not rebellious. **7** For a bishop, as God's steward, must be blameless; he must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or addicted to wine or violent or greedy for gain, **8** but he must be hospitable, a lover of goodness, self-controlled, upright, devout, and restrained, **9** holding tightly to the trustworthy word of the teaching, so that he may be able both to exhort with sound instruction and to refute those who contradict it.

10 There are also many rebellious people, idle talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision; **11** they must be silenced, since they

are upsetting whole families by teaching for sordid gain what it is not right to teach. ¹²It was one of them, their very own prophet, who said, "Cretans are always liars, vicious brutes, lazy gluttons."

¹³That testimony is true. For this reason rebuke them sharply, so that they may become sound in the faith, ¹⁴not paying attention to Jewish myths or to commandments of those who reject the truth. ¹⁵To the pure all things are pure, but to the corrupt and unbelieving nothing is pure; their very minds and consciences are corrupted. ¹⁶They profess to know God, but they deny him by their actions; they are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work.

Message

Offering Song How Deep the Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ

His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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Offering Prayer

Lord, you are the bread of heaven, giving life to the world.
You fill our emptiness with your goodness.
You come to our weakness with your strength.
Take and use these gifts to bring in a rich harvest
of your heavenly food and life-giving refreshment.

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.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

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 us in Christ Jesus,
In whom there is no condemnation. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World (Bec)

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.

You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power
for you created all things, making us in your own image.
We praise you for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by his death on the cross and rising to new life
offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.
Therefore, we lift our voices to 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, gracious God, we thank you
for these gifts of bread and wine,
and pray that we who receive them,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

according to our Saviour's word,
in remembrance of his suffering and death,
may share his body and blood.
On the night before he died, Jesus took bread,
and when he had given you thanks he broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take and eat. This is my body which is 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 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.'

We eat this bread and drink this cup
to proclaim the death of the Lord.

We do this until he returns.
Come, Lord Jesus!

Father, as we recall his saving death
and glorious resurrection, may we who share these gifts
be renewed by your Holy Spirit and united in the body of your Son.
Bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom,
there to feast at your table and join in your eternal praise:
**Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive praise and honour
and glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Sending out of God's People

Gracious God,
thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Thank you for assuring us of your goodness and love,
and that we are living members of Christ's body.
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: Great is your faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

Great is Thy faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness

Morning by morning new mercies I see

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

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Blessing