Sunday 10.00 am Service (O2T1) 6 August 2023

Welcome

Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 84)

King of all the earth, Creator of the universe, Holy Triune God, from everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord.

Our souls long for your courts, O Lord of hosts;

Happy are we who dwell in your house and are ever praising you!

Our hearts and our flesh rejoice in the living God;

Happy are we who dwell in your house and are ever praising you!

We have found a home in your presence, Our King and Our God;

Happy are we who dwell in your house and are ever praising you!

Who is like our God, the One who strengthens his people, the One who reveals himself to all who seek after him? This is our God, the Holy One. Come before him with thanksgiving and offer him the sacrifice of praise.

Song: Come, Now is the time to worship

Song: 10,000 Reasons

Song: My God is so big

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God cannot do (clap clap).
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God cannot do.
The mountains are his, the rivers are his,
the whole world is under his smile.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing my God cannot do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God cannot do (clap clap).

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God cannot do.
The mountains are his, the rivers are his,
the whole world is under his smile.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing my God cannot do. FOR YOU!

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Prayer for Children (Jaqueline)

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: Luke 4.13-30 (Merylin)

- ¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.
- ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.
- ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue,
- as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him.

Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,

because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down.

The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him.

- ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."
- ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips.
- "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked.
- ²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself!'

And you will tell me, 'Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'"

- ²⁴ "Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown.
- ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land.
- ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon.
- ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet,

yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian."

- ²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this.
- ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built,

in order to throw him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

Message

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,
And in what we have failed to do:

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 us and set us free from all our sins, strengthen us to do his will, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World (Colin)

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.

Offering Song: Grace

Thanks for the Offering (Ron)

The Great Thanksgiving (Metche and Jaq)

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 Sprit 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.

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: Cornerstone

Blessing