

# 10.00 am Sunday Morning Service (O2 T5) 20 August 2023

**Welcome**

## **Call to Worship:**

Praise be to God,  
**who rescues us from the power of darkness;  
who redeems us, and sets us free!**

Praise be to Jesus Christ, the first born of all creation,  
**through whom all things were made, in heaven and on the earth.**

Praise be to the Spirit of God,  
**whose presence sustains us, and whose breath renews all creation.**

Behold! I am making all things new!  
**Come, O God, and make your home among us.  
Pour out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

## **Song: Give Thanks**

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy one  
Give Thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son  
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And now let the weak say, "I am strong"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us"  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us"

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## **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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### **Kids Song: So Great**

Only one of me, only one of you,  
Only one of ev'ry-one, incredible but true.  
Millions of us all, none of us the same,  
But God knows every single face and every single name.

Because he's so great, only God can do it,  
So great, that's why we sing.  
So great, I wish everybody knew it,  
So great, that's why we worship him.

Every thought I think, every prayer I pray.  
Every cry I cry to him and everything I say.  
In a world that's full of words that swirl in space and time,  
God's tuned in to all of them, He knows which ones are mine

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## **Reflection – how has Bec impacted out lives and our faith**

### **Prayer for Children (Sue)**

#### **Bible Reading: Psalm 34 (Christine)**

- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
let the humble hear and be glad.
- <sup>3</sup> O magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together.
- <sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.
- <sup>5</sup> Look to him, and be radiant,  
so your<sup>[a]</sup> faces shall never be ashamed.
- <sup>6</sup> This poor soul cried and was heard by the LORD  
and was saved from every trouble.
- <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps  
around those who fear him and delivers them.
- <sup>8</sup> O taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are those who take refuge in him.
- <sup>9</sup> O fear the LORD, you his holy ones,  
for those who fear him have no want.
- <sup>10</sup> The young lions suffer want and hunger,  
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- <sup>11</sup> Come, O children, listen to me;  
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- <sup>12</sup> Which of you desires life  
and covets many days to enjoy good?

- <sup>13</sup> Keep your tongue from evil  
and your lips from speaking deceit.
- <sup>14</sup> Depart from evil, and do good;  
seek peace, and pursue it.
- <sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,  
and his ears are open to their cry.
- <sup>16</sup> The face of the LORD is against evildoers,  
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
- <sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears  
and rescues them from all their troubles.
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to the broken hearted  
and saves the crushed in spirit.
- <sup>19</sup> Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the LORD rescues them from them all.
- <sup>20</sup> He keeps all their bones;  
not one of them will be broken.
- <sup>21</sup> Evil brings death to the wicked,  
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
- <sup>22</sup> The LORD redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

## **Reflection (Sue)**

### **Writing Psalms of Thanksgiving**

Oceans – Hillsong, 10,000 reasons

### **Read some of the Psalms**

### **Offering Song: I am Carried**

Day by day and hour by hour, your love for me from heaven flows.  
Like streams of water in the desert, living waters flow.  
You walk beside me, gently guiding, leading me through every storm,  
Everlasting, never changing, grace and love divine.

Mercy's healing grace relieving every spot and every stain.  
Forgiven freely. No more guilty. Love has conquered shame.

The broken mended, night has ended, lost and lonely, lost no more,  
For I am carried in the arms of grace and love divine.  
I am carried in the arms of grace and love divine.

I am held by hands of healing, washed by water pure.  
Lifting up my heavy heart, held in grace scarred hands.  
I am carried in the arms of grace and love divine.

Never worthy, never earning, all my works now left behind.  
Ever onwards, ever upwards, you've called me on to rise  
Above my darkness, all my failure, every fear and every pain,  
Always carried, always covered by grace and love divine.

I am carried in the arms of grace and love divine.  
I am held by hands of healing, washed by water pure.  
Lifting up my heavy heart held in grace scarred hands.  
I am carried in the arms of grace and love divine.

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### **Thanks for the Offering**

In the offering of our gifts, as well as the living of our days,  
may we not grow weary of doing what is right,  
but commit to speaking up for the voiceless,  
healing the broken, feeding the hungry,  
and all those mercies which are such a part of your heart  
and hopes for all your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

### **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 - open/Zilpha**

#### **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 (Zilpha and Christine to assist)**

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: To God be the Glory**

To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the lord! Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory! great things he has done!**

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God!  
and every offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son!  
but purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

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## **Blessing**