

# 10am Sunday Morning Service O2T2

## 12 November 2023

Welcome

### Call to Worship

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honour and glory and blessing!

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be to the One seated on the throne and to the Lamb forever and ever!**

### Song: Better is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

**Better is one day in Your courts**

**Better is one day in Your house**

**Better is one day in Your courts**

**Than thousands elsewhere (Than thousands elsewhere)**

One thing I ask and I would seek to see Your beauty  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells  
(REPEAT)

My heart and flesh cry out  
For You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to You  
I will draw near to You to You

## **Song: Abide with Me**

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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## **God at Work (Sue)**

### **Prayer for Children (Karin)**

### **Bible Reading: Philippians 1.1-11 (Robyn R)**

**1** Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,  
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the  
bishops<sup>[a]</sup> and deacons:<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God for every remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup> always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy <sup>5</sup> for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete<sup>[c]</sup> it until the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart,<sup>[d]</sup> for all of you are my partners in God's grace,<sup>[e]</sup> both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup> to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup> having produced the harvest<sup>[f]</sup> of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

**Message: (Lauren Raiter)**

**Offering Song: This I Believe**

Our Father everlasting, the all creating One  
God Almighty Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son Jesus our Saviour

**I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

Our judge and our defender  
Suffered and crucified

Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high  
I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

**I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

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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.**

## **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 (Christine)**

### **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 (Jaq 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.**

It is right to praise you, faithful God, always and everywhere,  
for with your only begotten Son, and life giving Spirit,  
you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.  
At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a universe of beauty  
and splendour, bringing light from darkness and order from chaos.  
You formed us, male and female, in your image and endowed us with  
creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out, making a covenant of mercy, giving law, and teaching justice by the prophets.  
And so we praise you, joining with your faithful people of every time and place, singing the eternal song:

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

When the fullness of time was come, you sent your Son to be born of Mary. Bright image of your glory, he learnt obedience to you in all things, even to death on a cross, breaking the power of evil, freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight. You raised him from death, exalting him to glory, and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his companions on the way.

While at the table he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and giving it to them, said: 'Take eat; this is my body'.

He took the cup of wine, and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is my blood of the covenant, Which is poured out for many. Do this in remembrance of me'.

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

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever. With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who may eat or drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever.

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

### **Prayer**

Bountiful God, at this table you graciously feed us  
With the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.  
May we who have reached out our hands to receive this sacrament  
be strengthened in your service.  
We who have sung your praises  
tell of your glory and truth in our lives;  
we who have seen the greatness of your love  
See you face to face in your kingdom  
And come to worship you with all your saints 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 (Jaqueline/Sue)**

#### **Song: How Great is our God**

The splendor of the King,  
Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice,  
All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light,  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice,  
And trembles at His voice

**How great is our God, Sing with me  
How great is our God**

**And all will see how great  
How great is our God**

And age to age He stands,  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the End,  
Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one,  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb,  
The Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names  
Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God

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**Blessing (Ron)**