

Sunday 10am Service (O2T1)

4 May 2025

Welcome

Call to Worship

Lord,

the eyes of all look to You in hope; and You give them what they need.

You open Your hand and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled—to eat of the Bread of Life, to drink from Your life-giving streams, to taste Your goodness and live.

May the time we spend together in Your presence

nourish our hearts and minds; may it strengthen our relationship with You, and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples.

For You alone are God, the Source and Sustainer of life.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Song: Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name

When I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise

When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name

When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

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Song: Everyone needs compassion

Everyone needs compassion
love that's never failing
let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness
the kindness of a Saviour
the Hope of nations.

Saviour, He can move the mountains
my God is Mighty to save
He is Mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me
all my fears and failures
fill my life again.
I give my life to follow
everything I believe in
now I surrender.

Saviour, He can move the mountains
my God is Mighty to save
He is Mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave.

Shine your light and
let the whole world see
we're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus

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He is Mighty to save.
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My Saviour, you can move the mountains
God you are mighty to save
You are mighty to save.
Forever, Author of Salvation
You rose and conquered the grave
yes you conquered the grave.

You are mighty to save.

Song: God's Not Dead (Sue)

God's not dead, He is alive
God's not dead, He is alive
God's not dead, He is alive
I can talk to him every day.
I can talk to him at night
And also in the day

I can talk to him at home
And on a holiday,
I know he is my friend
And his love will never end
I can talk to him every day.
No no no

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Prayer for Children (Sue)

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: James 1.1-12, 2.14-17 (Colin L)

1 James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes in the dispersion:
Greetings.

² My brothers and sisters, whenever you face various trials, consider it all
joy, **³** because you know that the testing of your faith produces

endurance. ⁴ And let endurance complete its work, so that you may be complete and whole, lacking in nothing.

⁵ If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you. ⁶ But ask in faith, never doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. ^{7,8} For the doubter, being double-minded and unstable in every way, must not expect to receive anything from the Lord.

⁹ Let the brother or sister of humble means boast in having a high position ¹⁰ and the rich in having been humbled, because the rich will disappear like a flower in the field. ¹¹ For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the field; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. It is the same way with the rich; in the midst of a busy life, they will wither away.

¹² Blessed is anyone who endures temptation. Such a one has stood the test and will receive the crown of life that the Lord^[a] has promised to those who love him.

2¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Surely that faith cannot save, can it? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷ So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Message (‘I’)

Offering Song: Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart

I, who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away

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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.

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 (Zilpha)

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 (Sue with Zilpha and Karin)

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: Go Forth

We are His children, the fruit of his suffering
Saved and redeemed by his blood
Called to be holy, a light to the nations
Clothed with his power, filled with his love

***Go forth in his name, proclaiming "Jesus reigns!"
Now is the time for the church to arise
And proclaim him "Jesus, Saviour, Redeemer and Lord" (repeat)***

Countless the souls that are stumbling in darkness
Why do we sleep in the light?
Jesus commands us to go make disciples
This is our cause, This is the fight

Listen the wind of the Spirit is blowing
The end of the age is so near
Pow'rs in the earth and the heavens are shaking
Jesus our Lord, soon shall appear!

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord

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Blessing