

Sunday 10am Service (O2T1)

Date: 1 March, 2026

Welcome (Sue B – lead, preach and preside; Heather – music)

Call to Worship – Sue B

God of secret purposes and extravagant blessings,
we come to praise you.

We come because we want to,
we sing our songs because we are glad to,
we pray for your grace because we need to,
and we ask for the love of Christ in our hearts
because without it we are but nothing.

Please lift every shutter within our mind,
and open every door within our soul,
that you, the Lord of glory,
the God of countless hosts, may come in.
Through Christ Jesus, the joy of loving hearts. **Amen!**

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: Thine be the Glory

Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment

rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

**Thine be the glory,
risen conquering Son,
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.**

Lo, Jesus meets us,
risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness,
hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord is living,
death has lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee,
glorious Prince of life;
life is nought without thee:
aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan
to thy home above.

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Multi Age – 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 B

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.**

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: Matthew 26: 57-66 – Zilpha

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council

were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.' " The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, ^[a] the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, From now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What do you think?" They answered, "He deserves death."

Message – Sue B

Offering Song: Above All

Above all powers, above all kings,
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones
Above all wonders the world has ever known
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth
There's no way to measure what you're worth

Crucified, laid behind the stone
You lived to die, rejected and alone
Like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall, and thought of me
Above all

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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.

Prayers for the Church and our World – Colin L

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 B with Zilpha & 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: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm
What heights of love
what depths of peace
When fears are stilled
when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe

This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the
precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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