

4th Sunday at 10am 28.06.20

Gathering Song - Here I am to Worship

Welcome and Introduction

Welcome to our 4th Sunday at 10am which is our more informal service. For the prayers we invite you to have candle to light or use the image which will be on the screen. Please join in the parts in yellow. The theme for today is 'God of Hope'

Call to worship. A moment of quiet before we begin

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Opening Prayer

Faithful One,
whose word is life;
Come with saving power
to free our praise,
inspire our prayer
and shape our lives,
for the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Ist Song - Cornerstone

Confession - Being sorry and seeking forgiveness

This is the part of the service where we say sorry and seek forgiveness of our loving God

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do
and think and say;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

Prayer for us receiving forgiveness

May Almighty God forgive us, restore us and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

A reading from the book of Romans Ch 15 v 4-13

We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up. For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: "The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me." For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed and, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written:

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles;
I will sing the praises of your name.”

Again, it says,

“Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people.”

And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles;
let all the peoples extol him.”

And again, Isaiah says,

“The Root of Jesse will spring up,
one who will arise to rule over the nations;
in him the Gentiles will hope.”

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

TALK

2nd Song - Living Hope

We now affirm our belief together joining in the parts in bold

Our Belief

Let us declare our faith in God.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
Source of all being and life,
The One for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in Him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
Who took our human nature,
Died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in Him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
Who give life to the people of God
And makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in Him.

This is the faith of the church

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

Prayers with candle picture and song 'Come as you are'

Prayer/reading 'blessing for beauty

A Beautiful prayer from the book *Beauty - The Invisible Embrace* by John O'Donohue:

A Blessing for Beauty

May the beauty of your life become more visible to you, that you may glimpse your wild divinity.

May the wonders of the earth call you forth from all your small, secret prisons and set your feet free in the pastures of possibilities.

May the light of dawn anoint your eyes that you may behold what a miracle a day is.

May the liturgy of twilight shelter all your fears and darkness within the circle of ease.

May the angel of memory surprise you in bleak times with new gifts from the harvest of your vanished days.

May you allow no dark hand to quench the candle of hope in your heart.

May you discover a new generosity towards yourself, and encourage yourself to engage your life as a great adventure.

May the outside voices of fear and despair find no echo in you.

May you always trust the urgency and wisdom of your own spirit.

May the shelter and nourishment of all the good you have done, the love you have shown, the suffering you have carried, awaken around you to bless your life a thousand times.

And when love finds the path to your door may you open like the earth to the dawn, and trust your every hidden colour towards its nourishment of light.

May you find enough stillness and silence to savour the kiss of God on your soul and delight in the eternity that shaped you, that holds you and calls you.

And may you know that despite confusion, anxiety and emptiness, your name is written in Heaven.

And may you come to see your life as a quiet sacrament of service, which awakens around you a rhythm where doubt gives way to the grace of wonder, where what is awkward and strained can find elegance, and where crippled hope can find wings, and torment enter at last unto the grace of serenity.

May Divine Beauty bless you. Amen

We say together the words that our saviour taught us....

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.

Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

Closing words

Let us bless the Lord:

thanks be to God.

Blessing and honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and for ever.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Final song - Lord reign in me