

Order of Service for Sunday evening – 19th May 2024

David Rue is leading and Simon Austen from Wycliffe Bible Translators is speaking today on Mission Sunday.

This evening we shall be celebrating Holy Communion

Welcome & opening prayer

Song: 'To God be the glory'

(Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Chorus 1,)

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;
the vilest 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 joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see!

Fanny J Crosby

Confession

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,
this is your world and we are your people:
come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;
Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have seen the ill-treatment of others
and have not gone to their aid;
Lord, be merciful:
ALL: forgive us our sin.

We have condoned evil and dishonesty
and failed to strive for justice;
Lord, be merciful:
ALL: forgive us our sin.

We have heard the good news of Christ,
but have failed to share it with others;
Lord, be merciful:
ALL: forgive us our sin.

We have not loved you with all our heart,
nor our neighbours as ourselves;
Lord, be merciful:
ALL: forgive us our sin. Amen.

Song: 'Yet not I but through Christ in me'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Verse 4, Ending)

WHAT GIFT OF GRACE IS JESUS MY REDEEMER

There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea

Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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Prayers: Gavin Ling

Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 (p12) (Modi Mwatsama)

Song: 'Holy Spirit'
(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3,)

Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth

Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

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Talk: Powerless Power

Holy Communion

Song: 'Facing a task unfinished'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus 1, Verse 3, Chorus 1, Verse 4, Chorus 1)

FACING A TASK UNFINISHED

That drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished
Rebukes our slothful ease
We, who rejoice to know Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee
Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee
Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying
For life, and love, and light
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night

*We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord*

We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission
The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition
To Thee we yield our powers

Chorus...

O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us
To labour for Thy sake

Chorus...

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Prayer of Dedication

*Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us by faith
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.*

Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of the Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Amen.