

Sunday Service

6.30pm | Sunday, 15th January 2023 | The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome: Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song: Rejoice

Come and stand before your Maker
full of wonder, full of fear;
come behold His power and glory
yet with confidence draw near.
For the One who holds the heavens
and commands the stars above
is the God who bends to bless us
with an unrelenting love.

Rejoice!
Come and lift your hands and raise
your voice;
He is worthy of all praise,
Rejoice!
Sing the mercies of your King
and with trembling, rejoice.

We are children of the promise,
the beloved of the Lord,
won with everlasting kindness,
bought with sacrificial blood.

Bringing reconciliation
to a world that longs to know
the affections of a Father
who will never let them go.

All our sickness, all our sorrows
Jesus carried up the hill.
He has walked this path before us,
He is walking with us still;
turning tragedy to triumph,
turning agony to praise.
There is blessing in the battle
so take heart and stand amazed.

Rejoice!
When you cry to Him He hears your voice;
He will wipe away your tears,
Rejoice!
In the midst of suffering
He will help you sing.

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Music

Song: Give me Jesus

Take the world, but give me Jesus;
all its joys are but a name.
But His love abides forever,
through eternal years the same.

Take the world, but give me Jesus;
sweetest comfort of my soul.
With my Saviour watching o'er me,
I can sing though billows roll.

Oh, the height and depth of mercy!
Oh, the length and breadth of love!
Oh, the fullness of redemption,
pledge of endless life above.
Take this world, my God's enough!

Take the world, but give me Jesus;
in His cross my trust shall be.

Till with clearer, brighter vision,
face to face my Lord I see.

Oh, the height and depth of mercy!...

Take this world, and give me Jesus;
in His cross my trust shall be.
Take this world and give me Jesus,
till that day my Lord I see.

Oh, the height and depth of mercy!...

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Church Family News

Prayers: Steph Johnson

Reading: Philippians 1:12-26 (p. 1178)
Penny Simons

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'Partnership in the Gospel - Christ-Centred'
Pete Scamman (Associate Vicar)

Hymn: How great Thou art

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe
displayed:

**Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to
Thee,
how great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to
Thee,
how great Thou art! How great Thou art!**

When through the woods and forest
glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain
grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle
breeze;

And when I think that God His Son not
sparing,
sent Him to die—I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come with shout of
acclamation
and take me home—what joy shall fill my
heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou
art!

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Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Take Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

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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Closing prayer

Songs during communion

Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
slain for us: and we remember
the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
torn for you: eat and remember
the wounds that heal, the death that
brings us life,
paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of love
around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of grace
around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise,
to respond: and to remember.
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
around the table of the King.

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Turn your eyes

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's a light for a look at the Saviour,
and life more abundant and free!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in His wonderful face.
And the things of earth will grow strangely
dim,
in the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside
where justice and mercy embrace.
There the Son of God gave His life for us,
and our measureless debt was erased.

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes.
Jesus, our glory and our prize.
We adore You, behold You, our
Saviour ever true.
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

Turn your eyes to the morning
and see Christ the lion awake.
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is
gone,
for we carry His life in our veins.

Turn your eyes to the heavens,
our King will return for His own.
Every knee will bow, every tongue will
shout
"All glory to Jesus alone!"

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