

Sunday Service

10.30am & 6.30pm | Sunday, 27th November 2022 | The First Sunday in Advent

Welcome: Pete Scamman (Associate Vicar)

Song: Rejoice (6.30)

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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Song: 10,000 reasons (Bless the Lord)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger. Your name is great, and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come:

still my soul will sing your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forever more.

Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman ©2011 Thankyou Music, Atlas Mountain Songs Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and lament our many sins and the wickedness we have committed time after time, by thought, word and deed against your divine majesty. We have provoked your righteous anger and your indignation against us. We earnestly repent, and are deeply sorry for these our wrongdoings; the memory of them weighs us down, the burden of them is too great for us to bear. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that from this time forward we may always serve and please you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

All-age slot (10.30)

Song: Jesus strong and kind (10.30)

Jesus said that if I thirst I should come to Him No one else can satisfy I should come to Him

Jesus said, if I am weak I should come to Him No one else can be my strength I should come to Him

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind

Jesus said that if I fear I should come to Him No one else can be my shield I should come to Him

For the Lord ...

Jesus said, if I am lost He will come to me And He showed me on that cross He will come to me

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind Jesus, strong and kind

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Children leave for their groups

Prayers 10.30am: Johnny Lockwood

6.30pm: Steph Johnson

Church Family News

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

* catholic: refers to the universal, world-wide church

Song: How deep the Father's love for us (6.30)

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss — the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders; ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.

Song: I will wait for you (Psalm 130)

Out of the depths I cry to You, in darkest places I will call. Incline Your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways, how could I come before Your throne? Yet, full forgiveness meets my gaze, I stand redeemed by grace alone.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You, on Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, till my soul is satisfied.

So, put Your hope in God alone, take courage in His power to save,

It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life – I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer; but this I know with all my heart – His wounds have paid my ransom.

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completely and forever won by Christ emerging from the grave.

I will wait for You...

Now he has come to make a way, and God Himself has paid the price, that all who trust in Him today find healing in His sacrifice.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You, through the storm and through the night. I will wait for You, surely wait for You, for Your love is my delight.

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Song: Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust in Jesus' Name. (REPEAT)

Christ alone, Cornerstone, weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale,

my anchor holds within the veil, my anchor holds within the veil. **Christ alone...**

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found, dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless, stand before the throne.

Christ alone...

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Reading: Habakkuk 2: 2-20 Romans 1:14-17

10.30am: Iain Coldham 6.30pm: Paul Dodd

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'How Long O Lord?: Learning to wait'

Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Song: It is well with my soul

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows, like sea-billows, roll, whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,

'It is well, it is well with my soul.'

It is well, (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul) It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control: that Christ has regarded my helpless estate and has shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight; the clouds be rolled back as a scroll. The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul.

Philip Paul Bliss and Horatio G. Spafford

Closing prayer

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