

Sunday Service

10.30am | 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: Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.
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we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever;
our hope, our strong deliverer.

You are the everlasting God,
the everlasting God,
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need,
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

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Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen

All-age slot

Song: Mighty mighty Saviour

No one is good,
no one is holy before God,
I need so
meone to cleanse me.
No one is pure,
no one is righteous in Your sight,
I need someone to save me.

But I'm so glad You died and rose again,
for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are!
What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are!
You can wash away my sin,
you can change my heart within,
what a mighty mighty Saviour You are!

Sin is too strong
for me to conquer on my own,
I need someone to help me,
I am too weak;
I cannot change my evil heart,
I need someone to save me.

But I'm so glad You died and rose again,
for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty Saviour...

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Children leave for their groups

Church Family News

Prayers : Steph Johnson

Reading: Nehemiah 6 : 1-15 (p. 488)
Zea Cole

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'Building for the future plus : Strengthened by God'
Jonny Dyer (Vicar)

Hymn: We rest on Thee

We rest on Thee, our Shield and our Defender!
We go not forth alone against the foe;
strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
we rest on Thee and in Thy name we go.
Strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go.

Yes, in Thy name, O Captain of salvation!
in Thy dear name, all other names above,
Jesus our Righteousness, our sure Foundation,
our Prince of glory and our King of love.
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our Prince of glory and our King of love.

We go in faith, our own great weakness feeling,
and needing more each day Thy grace to know:

yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing;
we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go.
Yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing;
we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go.

We rest on Thee, our Shield and our Defender!
Thine is the battle, Thine shall be the praise;
when passing through the gates of pearly splendour,
victors, we rest with Thee, through endless days.
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victors, we rest with Thee, through endless days.

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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: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear,
the hour I first believed!

**My chains are gone,
I've been set free,
my God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
unending love, amazing grace.**

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand
years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we first begun.

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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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