

# Sunday Service

10.30am | Sunday, January 22nd 2023 | Third Sunday after Epiphany

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**Welcome:** Pete Scamman (Associate Vicar)

## **Song:** All creatures of our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing:  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam:  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One!  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood,  
come and rejoice in His great love!  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Christ has defeated every sin -  
cast all your burdens now on Him.  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign,  
heaven and earth will join to say,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Then who shall fall on bended knee?  
All creatures of our God and King!  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jonathan Baird, Ryan Baird, St Francis of Assisi, William Henry  
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## **Confession**

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.**

## All-age slot

### Song: Great big God

**Our God is a great big God,  
our God is a great big God,  
our God is a great big God  
and He holds us in his hands.**  
(Repeat)

He's higher than a skyscraper  
and he's deeper than a submarine.  
He's wider than the universe  
and beyond my wildest dreams.

And he's known me and he's loved me  
since before the world began.  
How wonderful to be a part of God's  
amazing plan.

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## Children leave for groups

## Church Family News

**Prayers:** Geoff & Heather Wilson

### Song: For me to live is Christ

For me to live is Christ, to die is gain.  
To hold His hand, and walk His narrow  
way.  
There is no peace, no joy, no thrill,  
Like walking in His will.  
For me to live is Christ, to die is gain.

Now once my heart was full of sin and  
shame.  
'Til someone told me Jesus came to save.  
When He said "Come home to me"  
He set my poor heart free  
For me to live is Christ, to die is gain.

Now there are things that I still do not  
know,  
But of this one thing I am completely sure:  
that He who called me on that day,  
washed all my sin away.  
For me to live is Christ, to die is gain.

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**Reading:** Nehemiah 6: 15 - 7: 3      Janet Twigg

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** 'Building for the future Plus: Completed by God'  
Jonny Dyer (Vicar)

**Partnership Commitment**

*"For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain."* [Phil. 1vs21]

**Leader:** Do you trust in Jesus as your Lord and Saviour

**All: By the grace of God, I do**

**Leader:** Do you give yourself in joyful obedience to following him and his word?

**All: With the help of God, I do.**

**Leader:** Do you commit to being partners in the Gospel by loving, serving, speaking, praying, and giving for the sake of Jesus Christ.

**All: By the grace of God, I do.**

## Song: By faith

By faith we see the hand of God;  
in the light of creation's grand design  
in the lives of those who prove His  
faithfulness;  
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth,  
with the power of His promise in their  
hearts,  
of a holy city built by God's own hand:  
a place where peace and justice reign.

**We will stand as children of the promise;  
we will fix our eyes on Him,  
our soul's reward.  
Till the race is finished and the work is  
done;  
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.**

By faith the prophets saw a day  
when the longed-for Messiah would appear  
with the power to break the chains of sin  
and death  
and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go;  
in the power of the Spirit to the lost;  
to deliver captives and to preach good news,  
in every corner of the earth.

By faith this mountain shall be moved  
and the power of the gospel shall prevail;  
for we know in Christ all things are possible  
for all who call upon His name.

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## Song: Salvation belongs to our God

Salvation belongs to our God,  
who sits on the throne,  
and unto the Lamb.  
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
honour and power and strength:

**be to our God forever and ever,  
be to our God forever and ever,  
be to our God forever and ever, Amen.**

And we, the redeemed shall be strong  
in purpose and unity,  
declaring aloud,  
praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
honour and power and strength:

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## Closing Prayer