

Sunday Service

10.30am | Sunday, September 10th 2023 | The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome: Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Song: Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice,
all creation rises to rejoice.

**Behold our God, seated on His throne.
Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can
compare,
come, let us adore Him!**

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all
things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hand,
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign!

You will reign forever.
(Let Your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever.
(Let Your glory fill)

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Sovereign Grace Praise, Sovereign Grace Worship

Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy on us pitiful sinners. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who truly repent, as you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and disciplined life, to the praise of your holy name. Amen

All - Age slot

Song: My God Is So Big

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
The mountains are His, the valleys are His,
the stars are His handiwork too.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
He calls you to live for Him everyday
in all that you say and you do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.

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Children leave for their groups

Church family news

Prayers: Sarah Collins

Reading: Genesis 1: 1-2 (p.3) & John 1:1-5 (p.1063)
Anthony Crawley

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'In the beginning... : The Creator'
Jonny Dyer (Vicar)

Song: The Perfect Wisdom Of Our God

The perfect wisdom of our God
revealed in all the universe.
All things created by His hand
and held together at His command.
He knows the myst'ries of the seas;
the secrets of the stars are His.
He guides the planets on their way
and turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways,
that mark the path of righteousness.
His word a lamp unto my feet;
His Spirit teaching and guiding me.

And O the mystery of the cross,
that God should suffer for the lost
so that the fool might shame the wise,
and all the glory might go to Christ!

O grant me wisdom from above
to pray for peace and cling to love
and teach me humbly to receive
the sun and rain of Your sovereignty.
Each strand of sorrow has a place
within this tapestry of grace.
So through the trials I choose to say:
"Your perfect will in Your perfect way."

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Music

Livestream ends

Communion

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

Songs During Communion:

Song: The Servant King

From heaven you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, Your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give Your life that we might live.

**This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow Him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.**

There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load He chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

Come see His hands and His feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice;
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone Him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

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Response Prayer

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

Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne,
while heaven's eternal anthem drowns
all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died to be
your saviour and your matchless king
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life
triumphant from the grave,
who rose victorious from the strife
for those he came to save:
his glories now we sing
who died and reigns on high;
he died eternal life to bring
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love,
who shows his hands and side -
those wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres
in majesty sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail,
for you have died for me;
your praise shall never, never fail
through all eternity!

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Closing Prayer