

# Sunday Service

10.30am | Sunday, December 10th 2023 | The Second Sunday of Advent

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

## Song: You Alone Can Rescue

Who, oh Lord, could save themselves  
Their own soul could heal?  
Our shame was deeper than the sea  
Your grace is deeper still  
(Repeat)

**You alone can rescue, You alone can save,  
You alone can lift us from the grave.  
You came down to find us, led us out of death,  
to You alone belongs the highest praise.**

You, O Lord, have made a way  
the great divide You healed;  
for when our hearts were far away  
Your love went further still,  
Yes, Your love goes further still.

We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes,  
You're the Giver of Life.  
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## Confession

**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**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen**

## All - Age slot

## Song: Mighty Mighty Savior

No one is good,  
no one is holy before God,  
I need someone 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!**

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## Children leave for their groups

### Church Family News

**Prayers:** Felicité Dodd

### Hymn: All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let kings before him fall,  
His power and majesty proclaim  
and crown him, crown him, crown him,  
crown him Lord of all.

Come, crown him, moon and stars of  
night,  
He made you great and small;  
bright sun, praise him who gave you light  
and crown him, crown him, crown him,  
crown him Lord of all.

Let all who trust in Christ exclaim  
in wonder, to recall  
the one who bore your sin and shame,  
and crown him, crown him, crown him,  
crown him Lord of all.

Then in that final judgement hour  
when all rebellions fall,  
we'll rise in his triumphant power  
and crown him, crown him, crown him,  
crown him Lord of all.

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**Reading:** Zephaniah 3: 9-20 (p.946)  
Nathaniel Bramhall

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

**Sermon:** Vision of Advent: Joy in Sorrow -  
'(The Lord) will rejoice over you with singing'  
Rob Mullock (Minister for Training)

### Song: When Love Came Down

When Love came down to earth  
and made His home with men,  
the hopeless found a hope,  
the sinner found a friend.  
Not to the powerful  
but to the poor He came,  
and humble, hungry hearts  
were satisfied again.

**What joy, what peace  
has come to us!  
What hope, what help,  
what love!**

When every unclean thought,  
and every sinful deed  
was scourged upon His back  
and hammered through His feet.  
The Innocent is cursed,  
the guilty are released;  
the punishment of God  
on God has brought me peace.

Cont'd...

Come lay your heavy load  
down at the Master's feet;  
your shame will be removed,  
your joy will be complete.  
Come crucify your pride,  
and enter as a child;  
for those who bow down low  
He'll lift up to His side.

**What joy, what peace  
has come to us!  
What hope, what help,  
what love!**

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### **Song: When I Was Lost**

When I was lost you came and rescued me;  
reached down into the pit and lifted me.  
O Lord, such love,  
I was as far from you as I could be.  
You know all the things I've ever done,  
but Jesus' blood has cancelled everyone.  
O Lord, such grace  
to qualify me as your own.

**There is a new song in my mouth,  
there is a deep cry in my heart,  
a hymn of praise to Almighty God  
- hallelujah!  
And now I stand firm on this rock,  
my life is hidden now with Christ in God.  
The old has gone and the new has come  
- hallelujah!  
Your love has lifted me.**

Now I have come into your family:  
for the Son of God has died for me.  
O Lord, such peace,  
I am as loved by you as I could be.  
In the full assurance of your love,  
now with every confidence we come.  
O Lord, such joy  
to know that you delight in me.

**There is a new song in my mouth  
There is a deep cry in my heart  
A hymn of praise to Almighty God -  
Hallelujah  
And now I stand firm on this Rock  
My life is hidden now with Christ in God  
The old has gone and the new has come  
- Hallelujah  
Your love has lifted me**

Many are the wonders you have done,  
and many are the things that you have  
planned.  
How beautiful the grace that gives to us  
all that we don't deserve,  
all that we cannot earn,  
but is a gift of love -  
your love has lifted me.

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### **Closing Prayer**

