

Sunday Service

9am & 11am | Sunday, February 25th 2024 | The Second Sunday of Lent

Welcome: Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Song: Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun, I will stand on every promise of Your word. Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away; I will stand on every promise of Your word. For Your covenant is sure, and on this I am secure: I can stand on every promise of Your word.

When I stumble and I sin, condemnation pressing in, I will stand on every promise of Your word. You are faithful to forgive, that in freedom I might live, so I stand on every promise of Your word. Guilt to innocence restored; You remember sins no more, so I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice I will listen for Your voice, and I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

Through this dark and troubled land You will guide me with Your hand as I stand on every promise of Your word. And You've promised to complete every work begun in me, so I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

Hope that lifts me from despair, love that casts out every fear as I stand on every promise of Your word. Not forsaken, not alone, for the Comforter has come, and I stand on every promise of Your word. Grace sufficient, grace for me, grace for all who will believe; we will stand on every promise of Your word.

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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

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

Church Family News

All - Age slot

Song: Your Love

Your love will last forever, it's like a mighty river that flows and flows forever, never stopping. Your awesome love protects me, when I sin Your love corrects me, You're faithful to direct me always to Your love.

And when I think of all You've done, there's no love greater than this: You freely gave Your precious Son to die for all my sins.

And when I choose to disobey, You lead me back to Your truth; You show the fullness of Your love by making me like You.

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Children leave for their groups

Prayers: 9am Chris Priestley

11am Anthony & Cecilia Fisher

Song: Two Sins

Two sins have we committed, two sins that we cannot deny, we've turned from you the fount of living water and have tried to drink from cisterns cracked and dry.

What fools we are, how blind we are! Have mercy, Lord, mercy on us. Forgive us, Lord, and help us see. Change our hearts that we might live for you. O Lord, for you, O Lord, always. Two sins have we committed, two sins are plain before our eyes. We've walked away from the truth that brings us freedom and have settled for those sweet enslaving lies.

Two sins have we committed, two sins at which you stand appalled. We've turned from you our glorious Creator and have worshipped things that are no gods at all.

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Reading: Isaiah 42:18-43:21 (p.729)

9am Mark Burkill

11am Carolyn Edmonds

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

Sermon: 'Comfort for the weary: A return to the land' Pete Scamman (Associate Vicar)

Song: Our God Reigns

Awake, awake, O Zion, and clothe yourself with strength, shake off your dust and fix your eyes on Him. For you have been redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus, and now you sit enthroned with Him

Our God reigns, He is King of all the earth. Our God reigns, and He's seated on the throne. Lift your voice, and sing a song of praise. Our God reigns, the awesome Lord most high. How beautiful the feet are of those who bring good news, for they proclaim the peace that comes from God. Rise up, you holy nation, proclaim the great salvation, and say to Zion 'Your God reigns.'

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, our God is with us now.

The watchmen lift their voices, and raise a shout of joy, for He will come again. Then all eyes will see the salvation of our God, for He has redeemed Jerusalem.

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Song: There Is A Higher Throne

There is a higher throne, than all this world has known, where faithful ones from every tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb; believing hearts find promised grace: salvation comes.

Hear heaven's voices sing, their thunderous anthem rings through emerald courts and sapphire skies, their praises rise. All glory, wisdom, power, strength, thanks and honour are to God, our King who reigns on high forever more. And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne; we'll honour Him in perfect song where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye, as thirst and hunger die; the Lamb becomes our Shepherd King: we'll reign with Him.

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Closing Prayer

