

Sunday Service

6.30pm | Sunday, March 17th 2024 | The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Welcome: Will Sykes (Junior Children, Youth and Families' Worker)

Song: Holy Holy Holy (Nicaea)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to Thee:
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down
before Thee,
who was, and is, and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide
Thee,
though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see;
only Thou art holy, there is none beside
Thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
in earth, and sky, and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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Song: Only A Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness
trembles?
Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendour outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God.

**Come and behold Him,
the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy,
forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.**

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God.
Only my Holy God.

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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

Prayers: Paul German

Reading: Mark 3:7-19 (p.1004)
Zea Cole

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'Meeting Jesus: The Son of God'
Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Song: All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night,
yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life
had led me to the grave;
I had no hope that You would own
a rebel to Your will;
and if You had not loved me first,
I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race,
indifferent to the cost;
You looked upon my helpless state
and led me to the cross;
and I beheld God's love displayed:
You suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me,
now all I know is grace.

**Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.**

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
and live so all might see
the strength to follow Your commands
could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life
in any way You choose;
and let my song forever be:
my only boast is You.

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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: We Hunger And Thirst

Exalted Son of glory, humbly came down.
Wounded for the broken, bore the
sinner's crown
through the willing death You died.
You became our bread of life.

**Jesus, we hunger and thirst for You, Lord.
As we remember Your sacrifice
we see the wounds from Your hands
and pierced side.
Extravagant love! Oh, how great the
price;
now our lives are Yours.**

The priceless blood of Jesus, this gracious
cup.
A life spring overflowing, poured out for us.
He has conquered every sin,
for the ones who trust in Him.

The cup we drink, the bread we eat
reminds us You are all we need
and makes us long for Your wedding feast.

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Song: Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered,
I was made to walk with Him.
Yet I look for worldly treasure,
And forsake the King of kings.

**But mine is hope in my Redeemer,
Though I fall His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing,
I am His forevermore.**

Mine are tears in times of sorrow,
Darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel,
Where I see no earthly good.

**But mine is peace that flows from
heaven,
And the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted,
Christ completes His work in me.**

Mine are days here as a stranger,
Pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ I will encounter,
Harm and hatred for His name

**But mine is armour for this battle,
Strong enough to last the war.
And He has said He will deliver,
Safely to the golden shore.**

**And mine are keys to Zion city,
Where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure,
Christ is mine forevermore.**

Come rejoice now O my soul!
For His love is my reward.
Fear is gone and hope is sure,
Christ is mine forevermore!

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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**

Song: Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,
there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and
freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless
peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,
for my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is
mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken,
for by my side, the Saviour he will stay.
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing,
for, in my need, his power is displayed.
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me,
through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall
overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
the future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated,
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing I am
free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me,
until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,
all the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall
repeat:
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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Closing Prayer