

Sunday Service

6.30pm | Sunday, March 31st 2024 | Easter Day

Welcome: Justin Roberts (Minister for Students)

Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Hymn: And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies:
who can explore His strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.
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He left His Father's throne above,
so free, so infinite His grace;
emptied Himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race.

'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.
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for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
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I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
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and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

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Confession based on Psalm 51

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me.

Lord have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

Song: I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)

Out of the depths I cry to You,
in darkest places I will call.
Incline Your ear to me anew,
and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways,
how could I come before Your throne?
Yet, full forgiveness meets my gaze,
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

**I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
on Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
till my soul is satisfied.**

So, put Your hope in God alone,
take courage in His power to save,
completely and forever won
by Christ emerging from the grave.

Now he has come to make a way,
and God Himself has paid the price,
that all who trust in Him today
find healing in His sacrifice.

**I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
on Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
till my soul is satisfied.**

**I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
through the storm and through the
night.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
for Your love is my delight.**

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Song: All Praise To Him

All praise to Him, the God of light,
who formed the mountains by His might.
All praise to Him, who names the stars
that sing His fame in skies afar.
All praise to Him who reigns in love,
who guides the galaxies above,
yet bends to hear our every prayer
with sovereign pow'r and tender care.

All praise to Him whose love is seen
in Christ the Son, the servant King,
who left behind His glorious throne
to pay the ransom for His own.
All praise to Him who humbly came
to bear our sorrow, sin and shame,
who lived to die, who died to rise -
the all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts
the love of God within our hearts -
the Spirit of all truth and peace,
the fount of joy and holiness.
To Father, Son and Spirit now
our souls we lift, our wills we bow.
To You, the Triune God, we raise
with loving hearts our song of praise.

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Church Family News

Prayers: Eloise Naylor

Reading: Psalm 16 (p.549) & Acts 2:22-32 (p.1093)
Nathaniel Bramall

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: 'Psalm 16 : An unshakeable hope'

Pete Scamman (Associate Minister)

Song: O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
greatest treasure of my longing soul,
my God, like You there is no other.
True delight is found in You alone.
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom,
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach;
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom,
my highest good, and my unending need.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
strong defender of my weary heart,
my sword to fight the cruel deceiver,
and my shield against his hateful darts,
my song when enemies surround me,
my hope when tides of sorrow rise,
my joy when trials are abounding,
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
gracious Saviour of my ruined life;
my guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders,
in my place You suffered, bled, and died.
You rose, the grave and death are
conquered.
You broke my bonds of sin and shame.
You rose, the grave and death are
conquered.
You broke my bonds of sin and shame.
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,
may all my days bring glory to Your Name,
may all my days bring glory to Your Name.

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Song: I Will Glory In My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer
whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
and hung him on that judgement tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
who crushed the power of sin and death;
my only Saviour before the holy judge,
the Lamb who is my righteousness:
the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
my life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another,
I'm satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
his faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon
me,
my feet are firm, held by his grace:
my feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with loving kindness,
his triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
who waits for me at gates of gold,
and when he calls me, it will be paradise,
his face forever to behold:
his face forever to behold.

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APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

* catholic: refers to the universal, world-wide church

Closing Prayer