



Welcome to worship!

Sunday 13 July 2025, 10am

Welcome

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful people,
and kindle in us the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Song (1040)

Come, now is the time to worship,
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship,
Come, just as you are before your God.
Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God.
One day every knee will bow.
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose you now.

(Brian Doerksen)

Song (1046)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King:

His love endures forever.

For he is good, he is above all things.

His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise.

²With a mighty hand and an
outstretched arm
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn.
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

*Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever. Forever.*

Song (881)

Lord, I lift your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life;
I'm so glad you came to save us.

(Rick Founds)

³From the rising to the setting sun,
His love endures forever.
By the grace of God, we will carry
on.
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful...

(Chris Tomlin)

*You came from heaven to earth to
show the way,
From the earth to the cross,
My debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift your name on high.*

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.

Absolution

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect – 4th Sunday after Trinity

Prayer for Sonlight

Mission update – the work of Sena and Jane Ounate-Lare

Song (179)

Chorus:

*Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus is his name.*

¹He possessed no riches,
no home to lay his head;
he saw the needs of others
and cared for them instead.

²He reached out and touched
them,
the blind, the deaf, the lame;
he spoke and listened gladly
to anyone who came.

³Some turned away in anger,
with hatred in the eye;
they tried him and condemned him,
then led him out to die.

⁴“Father, now forgive them” –
those were the words he said;
in three more days he was alive
and risen from the dead.

⁵He still comes to people,
his life moves through the lands;
he uses us for speaking,
he touches with our hands.

(Geoffrey Marshall-Taylor)

Readings

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Luke 2:41-52

Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they travelled on for a day.

Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him.

After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers.

When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, 'Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you.'

'Why were you searching for me?' he asked. 'Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Hymn (631)

¹Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

²Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name—the Lord, the mighty One.

³Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

⁴Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure:
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and forever more!

(Timothy Dudley-Smith)

Thanksgiving for our offering

Affirmation of faith

Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.

Intercessions

The 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.

Banns, notices and family news

Song (835)

¹Great is the darkness that covers the earth,
Oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
Though many have come in your name.
Watching while sanity dies,
Touched by the madness and lies.

*Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today.*

²May now your church rise with
power and love,
This glorious gospel proclaim.
In every nation salvation will come
To those who believe in your
name.
Help us bring light to this world
That we might speed your return.

(Noel Richards & Gerald Coates)

Blessing

³Great celebrations on that final
day
When out of the heavens you
come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will
end,
And rulers will bow at your throne.
Our great commission complete,
Then face to face we shall meet.

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