

“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

October 11th 2020

Prelude: Idyl, Guy Michell

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise the LORD!

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the LORD,
or declare all his praise?

**Happy are those who observe justice,
who do righteousness at all times.**

Psalm 106:1-3

❖ Hymn 59:

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| 1. O come, and let us to the Lord
In songs our voices raise,
With joyful noise let us the Rock
Of our salvation praise. | 3. For God, a great God, and great King,
above all gods he is.
Depths of the sea are in his hand,
The strength of hills is his. |
| 2. Let us before his presence come
With praise and thankful voice;
Let us sing psalms to him with grace,
And make a joyful noise. | 4. To him the spacious sea belongs,
for he the same did make;
the dry land also from his hands
Its form at first did take’. |
| 5. O come and let us worship him,
let us bow down withal,
and on our knees before the Lord
our Maker let us fall. | |

❖ Prayers of approach (ending with the Lord’s prayer)

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Word of God

❖ Children's address

❖ Holy Scripture: Philippians 1:4-9

¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

❖ Music: *Rejoice in the Lord Always*, Henry Purcell

❖ Sermon

Followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

❖ Hymn 536:

1. May the mind of Christ, my Saviour,
live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling
All I do and say.
2. May the Word of God dwell richly
in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph
only through His power.
3. May the peace of God my Father
in my life forever reign,
that I may be calm to comfort
Those in grief, or pain.
4. May the love of Jesus fill me,
as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self denying,
this is victory.
5. May I run the race before me,
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go.

❖ Prayers of Intercession

❖ Music: *Cantate Domino*, Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

❖ Prayer of dedication

Loving God,
we give thanks for all things
true, honourable, just, pure and pleasing:
**we offer our lives in the service
of your kingdom of joy where your peace reigns.**

❖ Hymn 565:

1. My life flows on in endless song,
above earth's lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far off hymn
that hails a new creation.
*No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?*
2. Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear the music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul -
how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm...
3. What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord, my shepherd, liveth.
What though the darkness round me close?
songs in the night her giveth.
*No storm can shake my inmost calm
While to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?*
4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing.
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm...

Sending out with blessing

Postlude: *Psalm 19*, Benedetto Marcello

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Holy Scripture is read this morning by Peggy Krol; prayers of intercession are led by Heleen Koning.

Notices

This week's activities:

- **Sunday, 21.00 hrs:** Short evening prayers, Compline: *join at* https://zoom.us/j/91386497205?pwd=YUN5dnRLOWlybHDSV250aHdJcnhiQT09_ Password: 243960.
- **Monday, 14.00-16.00 hrs:** Knitting Christmas angels at the church. Contact *Gillian Walker* at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com
- **Tuesday, 08.45 hrs:** Psalm Reciting (this week – Psalms 102-105), at the church. You are welcome to recite these psalms any time.
- **Wednesday, 19.30 hrs: Zoom Bible Study**, a series on Jesus' parables. Join us on: https://zoom.us/j/92316847530?pwd=TjdObHBvcnVTRWM4bWprS2QrenBnQT09_
- **Thursday, 21.00 hrs:** Short evening prayers, Compline: *join at* [Join at https://zoom.us/j/91386497205?pwd=YUN5dnRLOWlybHDSV250aHdJcnhiQT09_](https://zoom.us/j/91386497205?pwd=YUN5dnRLOWlybHDSV250aHdJcnhiQT09_)
- **Prayer:** anyone in special need of prayer for themselves or for someone else, please contact Margaret Richards on margaretanne_richards@hotmail.com .

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