

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER 2020 HOLY COMMUNION

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1. Your grace is enough, more than I need,
And Your word I will believe.
I wait for You, draw near again,
And Your spirit make me new,
*And I will fall at Your feet,
I will fall at Your feet,
And I will worship You here.*

Your presence in me, Jesus light the way
By the power of Your word,
I am restored, I am redeemed,
By Your spirit I am free,
And I will fall at Your feet.....

Freely You gave it all for us,
Surrendered Your life upon that cross,
Great is Your love, poured out for all,
This is our God.
Lifted on high from death to life,
Forever our God is glorified,
Sovereign King, rescued the world,
This is our God.
*And I will fall at Your feet.....
And I will fall at Your feet.....*

2. Only by grace can we enter,
Only by grace we can stand.
Not by our human endeavour,
But by the blood of the lamb,
Into your presence you call us,
you call us to come.
Into your presence you draw us, and
now by your grace we come,
now by your grace we come.

Lord if you mark our transgressions,
who would stand?
Thanks to your grace we are cleansed by
the blood of the Lamb.

3. Jesus, God's righteousness revealed
The Son of Man, the Son of God
His Kingdom comes
Jesus, redemption's sacrifice
Now glorified, now justified
His Kingdom comes

*And this Kingdom will know no end
And its glory shall know no bounds
For the majesty and power
Of this Kingdom's King has come.
And this Kingdom's reign
And this Kingdom's rule
And this Kingdom's power and authority;
Jesus, God's righteousness revealed.*

Jesus, the expression of God's love
The grace of God, the Word of God
Revealed to us
Jesus, God's Holiness displayed
Now glorified, now justified

His Kingdom comes
And this Kingdom will know no end.....

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

CONFESSION

**Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
we say sorry,
for the wrong things we have done
and for the right things we have not done;
forgive us, we pray,
and help us to start again,
to live new lives as your people,
and to be more like Jesus your Son. AMEN**

READING: Psalm 34:1-14

- ¹ I will extol the LORD at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.
- ² I will glory in the LORD;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
- ³ Glorify the LORD with me:
let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.
- ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant;
their faces are never covered with shame.
- ⁶ This poor man called, and the LORD heard him;
he saved him out of all his troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who
fear him,
and he delivers them.
- ⁸ Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
- ⁹ Fear the LORD, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- ¹⁰ The lions may grow weak and hungry,
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- ¹¹ Come, my children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- ¹² Whoever of you loves life
and desires to see many good days,
¹³ keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from telling lies.
- ¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-30

Reader: Hear the Holy Gospel according to Luke

All: **Glory to you O Lord**

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him.

Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, 'Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.'

²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. 'Isn't this Joseph's son?' they asked.

²³ Jesus said to them, 'Surely you will quote this proverb to me: "Physician, heal yourself!" And you will tell me, "Do here in your home town what we have heard that you did in Capernaum."'

²⁴ 'Truly I tell you,' he continued, 'no prophet is accepted in his home town. ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed – only Naaman the Syrian.'

²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: **Praise to you O Christ**

SERMON: Dave **GOD IS GOOD - how can we know God?**

God allows us to know him in many ways: through his word, the Bible, through communication with him in prayer, through seeing his Spirit at work in our lives, and through growing to know the amazing goodness of God for ourselves.

PRAYERS:

PEACE:

4. All I once held dear, built my life upon,
All this world reveres, and wars to own,
All I once thought gain I have counted loss;
Spent and worthless now, compared to this.

Knowing You, Jesus, Knowing You.

There is no greater thing.

You're my all, You're the best,

You're my joy, my righteousness,

And I love You, Lord. (last time: Love you Lord)

Now my heart's desire is to know You more,
To be found in You and be known as Yours.
To possess by faith what I could not earn,
All-surpassing gift of righteousness.

Oh, to know the power of Your risen life,
And to know You in your sufferings.
To become like You in Your death, my Lord,
So with You to live and never to die.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free
from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died
he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life
and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.****

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving

5. Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Saviour, Glorious Lord;
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

Anointed, above his companions,
Man of sorrows, lover of righteousness
Messiah, life-giving Spirit,
Mighty deliverer, priest and King.

6. This is my desire, to honour you.
Lord, with all my heart,
I worship you.
All I have within me I give you praise.
All that I adore is in you.

*Lord, I give you my heart,
I give you my soul;
I live for you alone.
Every breath that I take,
every moment I'm awake,
Lord, have your way in me.*

Prayer after Communion

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory. **AMEN.****

NOTICES and BIRTHDAYS

7. Lord I come to you,
let my heart be changed, renewed,
Flowing from the grace that I found in you.
And Lord I've come to know
the weaknesses I see in me,
Will be stripped away by the power of your love.

*Hold me close, let your love surround me
Bring me near, draw me to your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle
And I will soar with you, your Spirit
leads me on in the power of your love.*

Lord unveil my eyes, let me see you face to face,
The knowledge of your love as you live in me.
Lord renew my mind
As your will unfolds in my life
in living every day
By the power of your love.

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