



The Great Fulfilment

“The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.” (Matt 1:1)

Call to Worship

God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

**Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!**

(Ps 47.5-7)

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you 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.**

Lord, You Have Ever Been Our Dwelling Place (Psalm 90, 1st part)

Lord, you have ever
been our dwelling place.
Before you made
the world of time and space,
Before you made
the mountains and the earth,
You are eternal God;
you gave them birth.

You turn all people
back to dust and say,
“O human race,
to dust again decay.”
Because a thousand
years are in your sight
Like yesterday or like a watch by night.

Into death’s sleep you
sweep them all away,
For they are like
the grass at break of day—
Although it springs up
new with morning light,
It dries and perishes
before the night.

Your wrath consumes us;
we are terrified.
Before your gaze
our sins we cannot hide.
Under your anger
all our days pass by;
Our years come to their finish
with a sigh.

Our years amount to
seventy in length,
Or even eighty
if we have the strength.
And yet our days
in grief and pain are passed;
They quickly end; away we fly at last.

The power of your
anger, who can know?
Your wrath’s as great
as is the fear we owe.
Teach us to number
all our days aright;
So will our hearts be filled
with wisdom’s light.

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Confession and Assurance

Hear the summary of the whole law, from our Lord Jesus Christ:

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” (Matt 22:37-40)

Have mercy on us, O God

**According to your unfailing love;
According to your great compassion.**

God's word tells us:

*"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 Jn 1:8-9)

Let us therefore confess our sins against God, and against our neighbour,
first in silence and then aloud together.

Please kneel or be seated.

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those
things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.
But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.
Spare those who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to mankind in
Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a
disciplined, righteous and godly life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of
the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death (Rom 8:1-2)*

See, What a Morning

See what a morning, gloriously bright
With the dawning of hope
in Jerusalem;
Folded the grave-clothes,
tomb filled with light,
as the angels announce
Christ is risen!
See God's salvation plan,
wrought in love, borne in pain,
paid in sacrifice.
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,
for He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping: 'Where is He laid?
As in sorrow she turns
from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking,
calling her name:
It's the Master,
the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
Speaking life, stirring hope,
bringing peace to us,
will sound till He appears.
For He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
through the Spirit
who clothes faith with certainty.
Honour and blessing, glory and praise
to the King
crowned with power and authority!

And we are raised with Him,
Death is dead, love has won,
Christ has conquered;
And we shall reign with Him,
For He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

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God's Word

First Reading: Rom 12:1-8, p. 947. Living, Humble Sacrifice.

This is the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: 75. Horns of Arrogance and the Cup of Judgement

We give thanks to you, O God;
we give thanks, for your name is near.
We recount your wondrous deeds.

“At the set time that I appoint I will judge
with equity.

**When the earth totters, and all its
inhabitants, it is I who keep steady its
pillars.**

I say to the boastful, ‘Do not boast,’ and
to the wicked, ‘Do not lift up your horn;
**do not lift up your horn on high, or
speak with haughty neck.’”**

For not from the east or from the west
and not from the wilderness comes
lifting up,
**but it is God who executes judgement,
putting down one and lifting up
another.**

For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup
with foaming wine, well mixed,
**and he pours out from it, and all the
wicked of the earth shall drain it down
to the dregs.**

But I will declare it forever; I will sing
praises to the God of Jacob.
**All the horns of the wicked I will cut
off, but the horns of the righteous shall
be lifted up.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning,
is now, and shall be forever,
age after age. Amen!**

Second Reading: Matt 1:1-17; 28:16-20, p. 807, 835

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Israel and Israel's God (Mark Payne)

The 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 power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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.

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

**Our Father, who 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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lord's Supper

Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb
who bears our sins away,
Slain for us: and we remember:
The promise made
that all who come in faith,
Find forgiveness at the cross.

*So we share in this Bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace,
Around the table of the King.*

The body of our Saviour,
Jesus Christ,
Torn for you: eat and remember,
The wounds that heal,
the death that brings us life,
Paid the price to make us one.

Chorus

The blood that cleanses
every stain of sin,
Shed for you: drink and remember.
He drained death's cup
that all may enter in,
To receive the life of God.

Chorus

And so with thankfulness and faith,
We rise to respond: and to remember.
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ,
As His body here on earth.
*As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.*

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Invitation to the Table

All baptised Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, are welcome at this table. If you do not profess faith in Christ, please refrain from receiving the bread and wine.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Please join in saying the Sanctus ("The Holy", based on Isaiah 6:3)

Holy, Holy, Holy,

Lord God of Hosts

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

The stewards will distribute the wine and bread.

Eat the bread as you receive it, but keep the wine until we all drink together.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Father, as we have received these gifts of bread and wine, you have fed us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Thank you for assuring us of your goodness and love, and that we are members of his body. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gifts and Offerings

Gifts and offerings may be placed in the offertory box at the back of the hall.

"Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you." (Deut 16:17)

Psalm 90 (2nd part)

Return, O Lord! How long will you delay?
Have mercy on your servants, Lord, we
pray.

O satisfy us with your love always,
That we may sing, rejoicing all our days.

In place of our affliction, make us glad;
Give joy for all the years you made us
sad.

To all your servants may your deeds be
shown,

And to their children make your glory
known.

Now may the favour of Almighty God
Abide on us—rich blessings of our Lord.
Establish every work our hands have
done;
Yes, Lord, for us establish them each
one.

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Benediction

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

In the Name of Christ, Amen.

Notes & Notices

Please diarise and pray for the following:

<i>The Coming Week...</i>		
Thur 7 th Sep	Psalm Sing at the church	7.15pm
Sat 9 th Sep	Men's Ministry, Magee's home, 4:30pm	Intro, fire, food & chat
Sun 10 th Sep	Morning Worship (Matt 1:1-17, Son of David, Son of Abraham)	10am

Unless otherwise indicated, all Scripture references are from the English Standard Version (ESV)