

What do you see?

"Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews" (John 19:19)

Call to Worship

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.

Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

(1 Chr 29:11)

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.

Psalm 45 (O King)

O King, you are most worthy, of men you are the best Your words are true and gracious, you are forever blessed Take up your sword in splendour, ride forth in majesty For justice and mercy and true humility Your arrows pierce your enemies, you march across the land The peoples and the nations against you cannot stand

Your throne will last forever, with justice you shall reign You love all that is righteous and hate all evil gain So God has richly blessed you with joy abundantly Your robes are all fragrant, your courts are ivory There princesses attend you, sweet music from of old Your future queen awaits you arrayed in finest gold

O bride forsake all others, don't give your love abroad The king desires your beauty; so honour him your Lord The gown he gives is glorious, the threads are twined with gold In shimmering colours the envy of the world A joyful crowd is with her, with gladness now they sing And finally she enters the palace of the king

This king will reign forever, his sons upon the earth And ev'ry generation will tell of his great worth All nations will soon praise him and fall down at his feet His kingdom established, where truth and mercy meet O Jesus we adore you, our lover and our king Your church, your bride is waiting and so to you we sing

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Confession and Assurance

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

"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.

"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 1:8-10

Therefore, let us 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

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls." (1 Pet 2:24-25)

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea;
a great High Priest whose name is love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died, My sinful soul is counted free; for God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness, the great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace.

One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood, my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Saviour and my God, with Christ my Saviour and my God.

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God's Word

First Reading: Exodus 12:29-51

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 14

The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is none who does good.

The Lord looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.

They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the Lord?

There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.

You would shame the plans of the poor, but the Lord is his refuge.

Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!

When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

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: John 19: 16b-42

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: What do you see? (Reuben Hunter)

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song This Cornerstone, this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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Creed (Heidelberg Catechism)

Believer, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live unto Him.

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.

The Lord's Supper

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, simply allow the bread and wine to pass by, and reflect on what is taking place.

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, 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.

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. "Honour the LORD with your wealth and with the first-fruits of all your produce." (Prov 3:9)

Psalm 67 (O God, To Us Show Mercy)

O God, to us show mercy
And bless us in your grace;
Cause now to shine upon us
The brightness of your face;
That so your way most holy
On earth may soon be known,
And unto every people
Your saving grace be shown.

O God, let all men praise you, Let all the nations sing; In every land let praises And songs of gladness ring; For you shall judge the people In truth and righteousness, And you shall lead the nations Your justice to confess.

Let all the peoples praise you,
All tongues and tribes should sing,
For earth in rich abundance
To us her fruit shall bring.
The Lord our God shall bless us;
Let all the earth maintain
The praise it owes its Maker,
The reverence due His name.

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Benediction and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the Name of Christ, Amen.

Notes & Notices

Please diarise and pray for the items below:

This Coming week			
Thu 24 th Oct	Prayer Meeting	Ref. John	
Sun 27 th Oct	Morning Worship - Andrew Kueh	10am	

and further ahead		
Thu 31 st Oct	Men's Ministry	твс

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