

Lord's Day worship: Sunday 30th August 2020

Before we join together: to help us prepare, sing two songs

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sPnrg7DunU>

"Are there more gods than one?": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UGpybUeSrFc>

At 10.45am: Welcome

Song: Who has held the oceans in his hands? - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3_M_ZdWrCjs

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

(Chorus)
Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King! Nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus, Saviour risen now to reign

Scriptural call to worship

"When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying,
"Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive for
evermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades"." (Revelation 1:17-18)

The encouragement of God's word – John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should
not perish but have eternal life.

Confessing our sins and seeking the assurance of forgiveness

Lord God, we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Leader: prays in thanksgiving for Christ's death and resurrection, and prays that God would grant us
assurance of the salvation that has been given freely to us.*

Declaring the Christian faith: the Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things, visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made:
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man,
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven, And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead:
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.
And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
And we look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Congregational Bible reading – Psalm 23

Prayers of intercession

Bible reading and Sermon: Malachi 3:13-4:6

1. The wicked say it's a waste of time serving the Lord. (3:13-15)
2. The Lord's true children fear His name and remember His word (3:16)
3. The Lord is coming in Judgement and Salvation (3:17-4:6)

Hymn: Immortal honours rest on Jesus' head – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gnEx_Cv-QB8

Immortal honours rest on Jesus' head;
My God, my portion, and my living bread;
In Him I live, upon Him cast my care;
He saves from death, destruction, and despair.

2. He is my refuge in each deep distress;
The Lord my strength and glorious righteousness;
Through floods and flames He leads me safely on,
And daily makes His sovereign goodness known.

3. My every need He richly will supply;
Nor will His mercy ever let me die;
In Him there dwells a treasure all divine,
And matchless grace has made that treasure mine.

4. O that my soul could love and praise Him more,
His beauties trace, His majesty adore;
Live near His heart, upon His bosom lean;
Obey His voice, and all His will esteem

A prayer for God's blessing – Philippians 4:7

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.