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### 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Holy Communion Service

The service is being led by Rev Johan Allen and Rev Rob Powell will be speaking on "Genesis 37 v 1-11 Joseph – An Introduction"



### WELCOME PRAISE IS RISING,

Eyes are turning to You,
We turn to You.
Hope is stirring,
Hearts are yearning for You,
We long for You.

'Cause when we see You, We find strength to face the day; In your presence All our fears are washed away, Washed away.

> Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, hosanna, Come, have your way among us; We welcome you here, Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts Returning to You, We turn to You. In your kingdom Broken lives are made new, You make all things new. Baloche/Brown copyright © 2003 Thankyou music

### WE STAND AND LIFT UP OUR HANDS,

For the joy of the Lord is our strength. We bow down and worship Him now; How great, how awesome is He.

And together we sing, Everyone sing:

> Holy is the Lord God Almighty; The earth is filled with His glory. Holy is the Lord God Almighty! The earth is filled with His glory, The earth is filled with His glory.

It's rising up all around,

It's the anthem of the Lord's renown. (repeat) Chris Tomlin 2005 sixstepsmusic/Sparrow Records.

### 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

### SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

# INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

### CONFESSION

Most merciful God.

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. We confess that we have sinned In thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;

that we may do justly, love mercy, And walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

# ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### ACTION SONG TALLER THAN THE MOUNTAINS

Deeper than the sea I can't think of anything As big as God's love for me (Repeat)

It's longer than the words at school You find really hard to spell It's wider than an elephant And more graceful as well It's greater than your football team Winning 15 – nil The love of God is wonderful It's absolutely brill

It's bigger than the school, the street It's bigger than this town It's great because it picks you up When you're feeling down It's not bothered if you're fat or thin Or if you're big or small You can have it anytime You can have it all



**PRAYER** for children as they leave for their own groups.

# TIME IN THE WORD



The Old Testament Reading is from Genesis 37 v 1-11 on page 41 in the Church Bibles

After the reading: This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

SERMON **Rev Rob Powell** 

### RESPONDING

### HERE IS LOVE, VAST AS THE OCEAN,

 Loving-kindness as the flood, When the Prince of Life, our Ransom, Shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, Throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion, Fountains opened deep and wide; Through the floodgates of God's mercy Flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, Poured incessant from above,

And heaven's peace and perfect justice Kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me, all Your love accepting, Love You, ever all my days; Let me seek Your kingdom only, And my life be to Your praise; You alone shall be my glory, Nothing in the world I see; You have cleansed and sanctified me, You yourself have set me free.

In Your truth You will direct me By Your Spirit through Your word; And Your grace my need is meeting, As I trust in You, my Lord. Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love and power on me, Without measure, full and boundless, Drawing out my heart to You. (Repeat last 4 lines)



# PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

**THE PEACE** (we share the sign of the peace) The peace of the Lord be always with you

#### And also with you.

### THE COMMUNION PRAYER



The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;

in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

#### In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends

he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

# Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body, is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;

do this in remembrance of me.

# Father, we do this in remembrance of him; his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

#### As we eat and drink these holy gifts Make us one in Christ our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

#### As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:



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

### THE BREAKING OF 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.

### THE INVITATION

If you do not wish to receive Communion, please come forward for a prayer of blessing.

### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After everyone has received Communion, we say together:



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

### OFFERTORY HYMN

ALL TO JESUS, I SURRENDER, All to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.

> I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Thee, my blessèd Saviour, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Saviour wholly Thine; Let me feel the Holy Spirit, Truly know that Thou art mine.

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me.

Judson W Van de Venter 1855-1939 words Winfield Scot Weedon 1847-1908 (music)

# OFFERTORY PRAYER



Yours Lord is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and majesty: for everything in heaven and earth is yours. All things come from you and of your own do we give you. Amen

# THE BLESSING

### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ.

Amen

# PRIVATE PRAYER



The Prayer Ministry Team is available in the Prayer Corner.