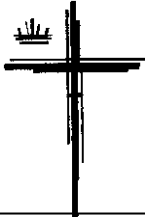


22nd April 2018



Holy Communion

The service is being led by
Rev Rob Powell and
Rev Johan Allen will be speaking on
“**Great Commission Part 3**” Acts 1 v 1-8



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION



BLESS THE LORD O MY SOUL

*O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day
dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies
before me
Let me be singing when the evening
comes
You're rich in love and You're slow to
anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on
singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to
find
And on that day when my strength is
failing
The end draws near and my time has
come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then
forevermore

THERE IS LOVE THAT CAME FOR US

Humbled to a sinner's cross
You broke my shame and sinfulness
You rose again victorious
Faithfulness none can deny
Through the storm and through the fire
There is truth that sets me free
Jesus Christ who lives in me

*You are stronger
You are stronger
Sin is broken
You have saved me
It is written
Christ is risen
Jesus You are Lord of all*

No beginning and no end
You're my hope and my defence
You came to seek and save the lost
You paid it all upon the cross
So let Your Name be lifted higher
Be lifted higher
Be lifted higher
(Repeat 4X)

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

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 *Words assuring us of God's forgiveness.*

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



GOD IS LOVE

Our God is love
God is love (Repeat)

Love the Lord with all your heart
All your mind and all your strength
O love the Lord
O love the Lord (Repeat)
This is what He is asking us to do
This is what He is asking me and you

God we love you
God we love you
God we love you
That is why we sing
God we love you
God we love you
God, we love you
You are why we sing

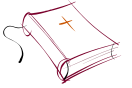
Nick & Becky Drake



Pray for the children as they leave for their
own activities.

T3 Interview – Femi Nzegwu

TIME IN THE WORD



The New Testament Reading is from
Acts 1 v 1-8 on page 1092 in the Church
Bibles

After the reading:

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SERMON Rev Johan Allen

RESPONDING



FROM HEAV'N YOU CAME HELPLESS BABE

Enter'd our world Your glory veil'd
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

*This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said
Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving



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:*



**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off you
met us in your Son and brought us
home.**

**Dying and living, he declared your
love, gave us grace, and opened
the gate of glory.**

**May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life; we who drink his
cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light
to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have
set before us, so we and all your
children shall be free, and the
whole earth live to praise your
name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen**

NOTICES & BANNIS

OFFERTORY HYMN



GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH

Pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak but Thou art mighty
Hold me with Thy pow'ful hand
Bread of heaven Bread of heaven
Feed me now and ever more
Feed me now and ever more
Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow
Let the fiery cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through
Strong Deliverer strong Deliverer
Be Thou still my strength and shield
Be Thou still my strength and shield
When I tread the verge of Jordan
Bid my anxious fears subside
Death of death and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Songs of praises songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee
I will ever give to Thee

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.*