

27th November 2022

Holy Communion for Advent Sunday with Children's Groups

Rev. Rob Powell will be leading and presiding and Rev. Mark Pybus will be peaching on 'Jesus is Coming Again' (1 Thessalonians 4:13 – 5:11)

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE



THESE ARE THE DAYS OF ELIJAH

Declaring the word of the Lord,
And these are the days
Of your servant, Moses
Righteousness being restored.
And though these are days of great trial
Of famine and darkness and sword,
Still we are the voice in the desert crying
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

*Behold He comes,
Riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun
At the trumpet call
Lift your voice,
It's the year of jubilee
Out of Zion's hill salvation comes*

These are the days of Ezekiel,
The dry bones becoming as flesh.
And these are the days
Of your servant, David
Rebuilding a temple of praise.
And these are the days of the harvest
The fields are as white in the world,
And we are the labourers in
Your vineyard,
Declaring the word of the Lord.

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HE'S COMING ON THE CLOUDS

Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty.

*Our God is the Lion,
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring in power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before
The Lion and the Lamb.
Every knee will bow before Him.*

So, open up the gates,
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty.

Bridge:

Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord!

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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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
 we have sinned against you
 and against our neighbour
 in thought and word and deed,
 through negligence, through weakness,
 through our own deliberate fault.
 We are truly sorry
 and repent of all our sins.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 who died for us, forgive us all that is past,
 and grant that we may serve you
 in newness of life
 to the glory of your name.
 Amen



ABSOLUTION

May the God of all healing and
 forgiveness draw us to himself,
 and cleanse us from all our sins
 that we may behold the glory of his Son,
 the Word made flesh,
 Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen



ACTION SONG

GLORY AND HONOUR

To you we bring
 Beautiful Saviour
 Your praise we sing
 Heaven bows down
 And worships your name
 God of creation we praise.

*And so to you
 We'll give you praise
 We'll give the glory to you always
 (Repeat)*

Honour the King, honour the King
 We will honour the King of Kings.
 (Repeat)

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BIBLE READING:

1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 5:11



SERMON by Rev. Mark Pybus



SOV'REIGN IN THE MOUNTAIN AIR

Sov'reign on the ocean floor
 With me in the calm
 With me in the storm
 Sov'reign in my greatest joy
 Sov'reign in my deepest cry
 With me in the dark
 With me at the dawn

*In Your everlasting arms
 All the pieces of my life
 From beginning to the end
 I can trust You
 In Your never-failing love
 You work ev'rything for good
 God whatever comes my way
 I will trust You*

All my hopes, all I need
 Held in Your hands
 All my life, all of me
 Held in Your hands
 All my fears, all my dreams
 Held in Your hands

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THE PEACE *(we share the sign of the peace)*

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.**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**

WORDS OF INVITATION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
**we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**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



O COME O COME EMMANUEL

And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

*Rejoice Rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel*

O come thou rod of Jesse free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny
From depths of hell Thy people save
And give them victory o'er the grave

O come thou Day-spring
Come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

O come Thou Key of David come
And open wide our heavenly home
Make safe the way that leads on high
And close the path to misery

O come O come Thou Lord of Might
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe

OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

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

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