

26<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## Holy Communion with Children's Groups

Rev. Mark Pybus will be presiding & Rev. Rob Powell will be leading and preaching on 'On the Way with Jesus' (Luke 18:31-43)

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION



#### BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

In the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow,  
Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll  
Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord,  
Still I will say.

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your glorious name.*

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's all as it should be,  
Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering,  
Blessed be Your name.

You give and take away,  
You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say:  
Lord, blessed be Your name.

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#### OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART, LORD,

Open the eyes of my heart.  
I want to see You,  
I want to see You. (Repeat)

To see You high and lifted up,  
Shining in the light of your glory.  
Pour out Your power and love,  
As we sing, holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy,  
Holy, holy, holy,  
Holy, holy, holy,  
I want to see You.

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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

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer, this is your world and we are your people: come among us and save us.

When we have wilfully misused your  
gifts of creation;

Lord, be merciful:

**Forgive us our sin.**

When we have seen the ill-treatment of  
others and have not gone to their aid;

Lord, be merciful:

**Forgive us our sin.**

When we have condoned evil and  
dishonesty and failed to strive for justice;

Lord, be merciful:

**Forgive us our sin.**

When we have heard the good news of  
Christ, but have failed to share it  
with others;

Lord, be merciful:

**Forgive us our sin.**

When we have not loved you with all our  
heart, nor our neighbours as ourselves;

Lord, be merciful:

**Forgive us our sin.**

**Amen.**



## **ABSOLUTION**

May the Father forgive us  
by the death of his Son  
and strengthen us to live  
in the power of the Spirit all our days.

**Amen**



## **ACTION SONG**

### **NOAH BUILT THE MOST ENORMOUS BOAT**

That kept the birds and animals afloat  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Noah lived his life for him.

Moses led his people through the sea  
Taking them away from slavery  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Moses lived his life for him.

*Oh, thank you, oh, thank you  
That all through history  
You were faithful  
Thank you, oh, thank you  
That you are just the same  
When it comes to me  
When it comes to me.*

David fought Goliath and he won  
A humble shepherd boy became a king  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And David lived his life for him.

Daniel was inside a lion's den  
But God brought him to safety once again  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Daniel lived his life for him.

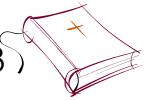
Jesus died to take away our sin  
So we could get to know our God again  
The Lord is good, the Lord is strong.  
And we will live our lives for Him

## **TIME IN THE WORD**

The Bible Reading is Luke 18:31-43 )

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## **SERMON** by Rev Rob Powell



### **THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME,**

What can I say?

You are my everything,

I will sing Your praise.

You shed Your blood for me,

What can I say?

You took my sin and shame

A sinner called by name.

*Great is the Lord, great is the Lord,  
For we know Your truth has set us free,  
You've set Your hope in me.*

Mercy and grace are mine,  
Forgiven is my sin,  
Jesus, my only hope,  
The Saviour of the world.  
"Great is the Lord" we cry,  
God let Your kingdom come,  
Your word has let me see,  
Thank You for saving me.

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## **PRAYERS**

### **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

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



### WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

On which the Prince of glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss  
And pour contempt on all my pride  
  
Forbid it Lord that I should boast  
Save in the death of Christ my God  
All the vain things that charm me most  
I sacrifice them to His blood  
  
See from His head His hands His feet  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown  
  
Were the whole realm of nature mine  
That were an offering far too small  
Love so amazing so divine  
Demands my soul my life my all

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING

### THE DISMISSAL

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

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