

24<sup>th</sup> February 2019

## Holy Communion

Mark Pybus will be leading, Rev Rob Powell will be presiding and  
Rev Johan Allen will be preaching on

**“Corporate Prayer – The Jerusalem Prayer Meeting 2”**

**Acts 12:1-17**

### 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 forever more!

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 **MY JESUS, MY SAVIOUR,**  
Lord, there is none like You.  
All of my days I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter,  
Tower of refuge and strength,  
Let every breath, all that I am,  
Never cease to worship You.

*Shout to the Lord  
All the earth, let us sing  
Power and majesty,  
Praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down  
And the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name.  
I sing for joy  
At the work of Your hands.  
Forever I'll love You,  
Forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise  
I have in You.*

Darlene Zschech © 1993 Hillsong Publishing



### 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

Father eternal, giver of light and grace,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour,  
in what we have thought,  
in what we have said and done,  
through ignorance, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We have wounded your love,  
and marred your image in us.  
We are sorry and ashamed,  
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 lead us out from darkness to  
walk as children of light.  
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

 **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)

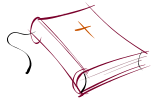
We will honour the King  
Honour the King  
We will honour the King of Kings  
(repeat)



*Prayer for the children as they leave  
for their own activities*

## TIME IN THE WORD

The New Testament Reading is  
from Acts 12:1-17 from page 1106  
in the Church Bibles.



*After the reading:*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** Rev Johan Allen

## RESPONDING

 **THERE MUST BE MORE THAN THIS**

O Breath of God

Come breathe within.

There must be more than this:

Spirit of God, we wait for You.

Fill us anew, we pray;

Fill us anew, we pray.

*Consuming fire, fan into flame*

*A passion for Your name.*

*Spirit of God fall in this place.*

*Lord, have Your way,*

*Lord, have Your way with us.*

Come like a rushing wind,

Clothe us with power from on high.

Now set the captives free;

Leave us abandoned to Your praise.

Lord, let Your glory fall;

Lord, let Your glory fall.

Tim Hughes 2002 Thank you Music



## 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.*

*Parents please collect children from  
Creche and Bubbles for communion now.  
Splash children will join parents from the  
front pew as they come up for communion.*

## **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

### OFFERTORY HYMN

#### **AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN**

An interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! - how can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

'Tis mystery all! - the Immortal dies:  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine!  
'Tis mercy all! - let earth adore,  
Let angel minds enquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace;  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all! immense and free.  
For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free;  
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown,  
Through Christ my own.

C. Wesley 1707-1788

## 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.**

