

22nd January 2023

Holy Communion with Children's Groups

Rev. Rob Powell will be leading & presiding and Rev. Mark Pybus will be preaching on 'Catching the Vision' (Acts 2: 42 - 47)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

 **STRENGTH WILL RISE**
As we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord.
(Repeat)

Our God, You reign forever;
Our hope, our strong deliverer.

*You are the everlasting God,
The everlasting God.
You do not faint,
You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need.
You lift us up on wings like eagles.*

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 **THE SPLENDOUR OF THE KING,**
Clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice,
Let all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light,
And darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice,
And trembles at His voice.

*How great is our God, sing with me,
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God.*

And age to age He stands,
And time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, Three in One,

Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb.
Name above all names,
You are worthy of all praise;
My heart will sing:
How great is our God
(Repeat)

*Then sings my soul,
My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art!
How great Thou art!
(Repeat)*

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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**

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, our heavenly Father,
who in His great mercy
has promised forgiveness of sins
to all those who with heartfelt
repentance and true faith turn unto Him:
have mercy on you;
pardon and deliver you from all your sins;
confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness and bring you to everlasting
life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



ACTION SONG

I REACH UP HIGH,

*I touch the ground
I stomp my feet and I turn around,
I've got to praise the Lord.*

*I jump and dance
with all my might*

*I might look funny but that's alright,
I've got to praise the Lord.*

I'll do anything just for my God
'Cos He's done everything for me.
It doesn't matter who is looking on,
Jesus is the person that I want to please.

May my whole life be a song of praise.
To worship God in every way.
In this song the actions praise His name,
I want my actions every day
To do the same.

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BIBLE READING: Acts 2:42-47



SERMON by Rev. Mark Pybus



YOU ARE HERE

Moving in our midst
I worship You, I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You, I worship You
(Repeat)

*Way Maker, Miracle Worker
Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness
My God that is who You are
(Repeat)*

You are here touching every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here healing every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here turning lives around
I worship You, I worship You
You are here mending every heart
I worship You, I worship You

That is who You are
(Repeat)

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



BE THOU MY VISION

O Lord of my heart
Nought be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking and sleeping
Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father
And I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling
And I with Thee one

Be Thou my breastplate
My sword for the fight
Be Thou my whole armour
And Thou my true might
Thou my soul's shelter
And Thou my high tower
Raise Thou me heavenward
Oh Power of my power

Riches I heed not
Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
The first in my heart
High King of Heaven
My treasure Thou art

High King of heaven
When victory is won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of 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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