

10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Holy Communion with Children's Groups

Rev. Rob Powell will be leading and presiding.

Rev. Mark Pybus will be preaching on

'Lent #4: For an Audience of One' (Matthew 6: 1-18)

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION



#### 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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#### YOU GIVE LIFE, YOU ARE LOVE

You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope  
You restore every heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord.

*It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord  
(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

**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**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all  
goodness, and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **ACTION SONG**



### **I DON'T JUST GET A DOLLOP OR A SPLODGE**

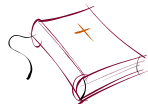
Or a tiny little drop of God's love  
God's love  
How cool that I get it all  
Like a mighty waterfall  
Splashing all over me.  
I don't get less if I make a mess  
I never get less than His very, very best  
His love for me is totally free  
And nothing I can be or do will earn it

*So, praise Him  
With your hands in the air now  
Praise Him with dancing feet now  
Praise Him with your hands  
Let's clap now  
Praise Him with your whole body in-out  
Praise Him with your voice  
Let's shout – SHOUT  
Praise Him everybody  
Come praise the Lord*

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## **BIBLE READING:**

**Matthew 6:1-18**



## **SERMON by Rev Mark Pybus**



## **BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE**

He's been my fourth man in the fire  
Time after time  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood  
And what He did for me on Calvary  
Is more than enough

*I trust in God, my Saviour  
The one who will never fail  
He will never fail*

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I know the author of tomorrow  
Has ordered my steps  
So this is my story and this is my song  
I'm praising my risen King and Saviour  
All the day long

*I trust in God, my Saviour  
The one who will never fail  
He will never fail  
(Repeat)*

I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
That's why I trust Him, that's why I trust Him  
(Repeat)

I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard  
And He answered  
That's why I trust Him  
That's why I trust in God, my Saviour  
The one who will never fail  
He will never fail  
Oh, I trust in God, my Saviour  
The one who will never fail  
He will never fail  
I trust in God

## **FINANCE PRESENTATION**

by Keren Pybus



## PRAYER FOR OUR FINANCES

**Generous God,**

**Thank you for giving us all we need for fullness of life with you.**

**Give us hope, faith and courage to live as heralds of your kingdom today.**

**We ask for your blessing and provision for your ministry and mission here at St James.**

**Help us to steward our resources well, teach us to reflect your generosity with open hands and open hearts, and lead us into your glorious future together.**

**We pray in Jesus' name,  
Amen**

## 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



### GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS,

O God my Father  
 There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
 Thou changest not  
 Thy compassions, they fail not;  
 As Thou hast been  
 Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!  
 Great is Thy faithfulness!  
 Morning by morning  
 New mercies I see;  
 All I have needed  
 Thy hand hath provided,  
 Great is Thy faithfulness,  
 Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter  
 And springtime and harvest,  
 Sun, moon and stars  
 In their courses above,  
 Join with all nature  
 In manifold witness  
 To Thy great faithfulness  
 Mercy and love.

Pardon for sin  
 And a peace that endureth,  
 Thine own dear presence  
 To cheer and to guide;  
 Strength for today  
 And bright hope for tomorrow,  
 Blessings all mine,  
 With ten thousand beside

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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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