

14th April 2024

Holy Communion with Children's Groups

Rev. Rob Powell will be leading and presiding, and Rev. Mark Pybus will be preaching on 'An Unexpected Dinner Guest' (Luke 24: 36-49)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

EVERYONE NEEDS COMPASSION, Love that's never failing; Let mercy fall on me. Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Saviour; The hope of nations.

Saviour, He can move the mountains, My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save. Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures; Fill my life again. I give my life to follow Everything I believe in; Now I surrender.

Shine Your light And let the whole world see We're singing for the glory Of the risen King, Jesus. (Repeat) Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding © 2006 Hillsong

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

For the Lord God Almighty reigns (Repeat)

Alleluia, Holy, holy are you Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb You are holy, Holy are you Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Amen

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope, without light, Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes. To fulfil the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word, From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt.

Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one. God of Glory, majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings.

To reveal the Kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost, To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross. For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side, Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died.

And the morning that You rose, All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good, For the Lamb had conquered death. And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe, For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born, Then the Spirit lit the flame. Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel, shall not faint. By His blood and in His Name, In His freedom I am free, For the love of Jesus Christ

Who has resurrected me! © Hillsong Worship Brooke Ligertwood, Scott Ligertwood, Jason Ingram Beth Redman and Matt Redman © 2002 Thankyou Music

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

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACTION SONG

JESUS IS THE KING

 Ruler over everything Jesus is the One Promised One, the Son of God Jesus is the Lord He's the One you can't ignore Jesus, Jesus He is the King, He is the King

He commanded the fishermen Hey, come follow me! And they did, and they did, And they did!

He commanded the evil ones Hey, come out of him! And they did, and they did And they did!

He commanded the wind and waves Hey, be still, be still! And they did, and they did And they did!

He promised that three days after death He'd rise again! And He did, and He did And He did!

BIBLE READING: Luke 24: 36-49

SERMON



THANK YOU FOR THE CROSS, LORD

 Thank you for the price You paid Bearing all my sin and shame In love You came And gave amazing grace.
Thank you for this love, Lord
Thank you for the nail pierced hands
Washed me in Your cleansing flow
Now all I know
Your forgiveness and embrace

Worthy is the Lamb Seated on the throne Crown You now with many crowns You reign victorious High and lifted up, Jesus Son of God The Darling of Heaven crucified Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb



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

I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE Of Jesus the Nazarene, And wonder how He could love me, A sinner, condemned, unclean.

How marvellous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be: How marvellous! How wonderful! Is my Saviour's love for me!

For me it was in the garden He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine" He had no tears for His own griefs, But sweat drops of blood for mine.

In pity angels beheld Him And came from the world of light To comfort Him in the sorrows He bore for my soul that night.

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own; He bore the burden of Calvary, And suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see, 'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me. Charles Gabriel © Public Domain

OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

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

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