



24th October 2021

Holy Communion with Children's Groups in Church & Livestreamed

Rev Rob Powell will be leading & will be speaking on
Beyond Diversity: Global Gospel, Global Church Part 7 (Acts 11:19-30)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION



COME ALL YOU PEOPLE

Come praise your maker
(Repeat x 3)
Come now and worship the Lord



COME NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

Come now is the time
To give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now.

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LIGHT OF THE WORLD

You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

*So here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God;
You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days,
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above;
Humbly You came
To the earth You created,

All for love's sake became poor
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.

(Repeat)

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OPENING PRAYER

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

The Lord enrich you with his grace,
and nourish you with his blessing;
the Lord defend you in trouble
and keep you from all evil;
the Lord accept your prayers,
and absolve you from your offences,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Amen

ACTION SONG

 **GOD IS LOVE**
Our God is love
God is love

Love the Lord with all your heart
All your mind and all your strength
O love the Lord
O love the Lord
(Repeat)

This is what He is asking us to do
This is what He is asking me and you

God we love you
God we love you
God we love you
That is why we sing
God we love you
God we love you
God we love you
You are why we sing

Nick & Becky Drake

TIME IN THE WORD

The Bible Reading is Acts 11:19-30

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



SERMON by Rev Rob Powell

 **TO THE RIVER I AM GOING,**
Bringing sins I cannot bear.
Come and cleanse me,
Come forgive me;
Lord, I need to meet You there.

In these waters healing mercy
Flows with freedom from despair
I am going to the river;

Lord, I need to meet You there.

*Precious Jesus, I am ready
To surrender every care.
Take my hand now,
Lead me closer;
Lord I need to meet You there.*

Come and join us in the river,
Come find life beyond compare.
He is calling, He is waiting;
Jesus longs to meet you there.

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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.**



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.**

All who love Jesus and are seeking, however imperfectly, to live by his amazing grace are welcome at the Lord's table.

Those serving communion will sanitise their hands before serving you. Please wait until you are invited to come forward by a steward. We would ask you to keep your face covering in place until the point of taking communion.

Both bread and wine are available, but please note that taking the cup is at your own risk.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available on request.

Parents with children in Creche & Bubbles please collect them now and return for Communion, keeping them with you for the rest of the service.



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



OH, TO SEE THE DAWN OF THE DARKEST DAY

Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the power of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath -
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought, every evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees,
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life;
'Finished!' the victory cry.

Oh, to see my name
Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free,
Death is crushed to death,
Life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

This, the power of the cross:

Son of God - slain for us.

What a love! What a cost!

We stand forgiven at the cross.

Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend.

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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