

25<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

Rev. Rob Powell will be leading and Bishop Richard will be presiding and speaking on: 'God is the Eternal Creator' (Isaiah 40:18-31 & Mark 1:14-20)

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

#### PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY

The King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is your health and salvation  
Come all who hear  
Now to His temple draw near  
Praise Him in glad adoration  
Praise to the Lord  
Above all things so wondrously reigning  
Sheltering you under his wings  
And so gently sustaining  
Have you not seen  
All that is needful has been  
Sent by his gracious ordaining  
Praise to the Lord  
Who will prosper your work  
And defend you  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Shall daily attend you  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriends you  
Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that has life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the Amen  
Sound from His people again  
Gladly forever adore Him

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#### FROM THE HIGHEST OF HEIGHTS TO THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA

Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colours of Fall  
To the fragrance of Spring  
Every creature unique  
In the song that it sings  
All exclaiming

*Indescribable, uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
All powerful, untameable  
Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim  
You are amazing God*

Who has told every lightning bolt  
Where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses  
Laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun  
And gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us  
The coolness of night  
None can fathom

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*Indescribable, uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
Incomparable, unchangeable  
You see the depths of my heart  
And You love me the same  
You are amazing God*

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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

We are sorry we have spoiled your  
world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

Let us say sorry for the way we have  
spoiled what God created. For the  
pollution we cause by throwing rubbish  
on the land, sewage and chemicals in  
our waters, and harmful gasses into our  
atmosphere.

We are sorry we have spoiled your world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

For the changes in climate that have  
come about because of our lifestyle  
causing the growth of deserts, the  
flooding due to forests being cut down,  
the loss of animal species, and the  
migration of desperate refugees.  
We are sorry we have spoiled your world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

For the greed which makes some  
countries take more than their fair share  
of food and resources.

We are sorry we have spoiled your world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

For the irresponsibility and political  
intrigue which often prevents anything  
being done.

We are sorry we have spoiled your world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

For the fact that it is always the poor who  
suffer most.

We are sorry we have spoiled your world,  
**Forgive us, Father, and help us.**

**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



### YOU PUT THE STARS IN OUTER SPACE

You popped the freckles on my face  
And all the fish that swim  
And all the birds that fly  
Were made from your incredible  
imagination

*Creator God, we're singing to the  
Creator God of all the world  
Creator God, we celebrate You  
We celebrate You!*

You spread the ripples through the sea  
You painted stripes on every bee  
And all the grass that grows  
And all the leaves that fall  
Are part of Your amazing plans for this  
creation.

You placed the heat into the sun  
You placed a heart in everyone  
And all the music played  
And all the dancing done  
Reminds us that we're made to be  
creative like...

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## BIBLE READINGS:

*Isaiah 40:18-31, Mark 1:14-20*



## SERMON by Bishop Richard



### WHEN I CONSIDER

What you have made  
The mighty oceans, the fiery stars  
The fields and forests give you praise  
My Lord, My God.

*I stand in awe, I stand in awe  
I stand in awe of you.*

When I consider  
What you have done  
I see your suffering, I see your scars  
Oh the wonder and Oh the love  
My Lord, My God.

All glory, all honour  
All worship and all praise  
All blessing, all power  
How worthy is your name  
All glory, all honour  
All worship and all my praise  
All blessing, all power is yours

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## PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

**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**

**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**



### **ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING**

Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou, burning sun with golden beam  
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice  
Ye lights of evening find a voice  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou flowing water pure and clear  
Make music for thy Lord to hear  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright  
That givest man both warmth and light  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And thou most kind and gentle death  
Waiting to hush our latest breath  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou leadest home the child of God  
And Christ our Lord the way has trod  
O praise Him! O praside Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

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

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