

24th September 2023

Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

Rev Rob Powell will be leading and presiding, and will be preaching on 'Read MARK Learn: Jesus' Identity #3 – Authority over the Law' (Mark 2:18 - 3:6)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

WE BOW OUR HEARTS, We lift our hands We turn our eyes to you again And we surrender to the truth That all we need is found in you

> Receive our adoration Jesus Lamb of God Receive our adoration How wonderful you are

We choose to leave it all behind And turn our eyes towards the prize The upward call of God in Christ You have our hearts, Lord take our lives

Every soul You've saved sings out Everything you've made resounds All creation's standing now Lifting up your name We're caught up in the angels' song We're gathered to your ancient throne Children in our Father's arms Shouting out your praise Adoration lyrics © Thank You Music Ltd.

• A THOUSAND GENERATIONS FALLING • DOWN IN WORSHIP

To sing the song of ages to the Lamb And all who've gone before us And all who will believe Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest Your name is the greatest Your name stands above them all All thrones and dominions All powers and positions Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy You are lifted high Holy Holy forever

If you've been forgiven And if you've been redeemed Sing the song forever to the Lamb If you walk in freedom And if you bear His name Sing the song forever to the Lamb We'll sing the song forever and amen

And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy You are lifted high Holy Holy forever Hear Your people sing Holy To the King of Kings Holy You will always be Holy Holy forever © Brian and Jenn Publishing (Admin. by Bethel Music Publishing)

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

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 I LIKE TO JUMP EVERYDAY

I like to jump everyday I like to jump everyday Because I know He loves me (Repeat)

> Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me Yeah, yeah, yeah I like to jump everyday Because I know He loves me.

I like to clap everyday (Repeat)....

I like to dance everyday (Repeat)....

I like to jump, jump, jump

I like to clap, clap, clap I like to dance, dance, dance Because I know He loves me Because I know He loves me! Kendra Fleming & Yancy Music ©2008 Amber Sky Records, Dried Rose Music

TIME IN THE WORD

The Bible Reading is Mark 2:18 – 3:6 This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



SERMON: by Rev. Rob Powell

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

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

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth
Will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside Where justice and mercy embrace There the Son of God gave His life for us And our measureless debt was erased

Jesus to You we lift our eyes Jesus our glory and our prize We adore You, behold You Our Saviour ever true Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the morning And see Christ the lion awake What a glorious dawn Fear of death is gone For we carry His life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the heavens Our King will return for His own Every knee will bow Every tongue will shout All glory to Jesus alone © 2018 You Simply Love Publishing

OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING

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