

23rd February 2025

Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

Rev Rob Powell will be leading and presiding and Canon Dr Sue Clarke will be preaching on 'Safeguarding' (Mark 10: 1-16)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

 **COME LET US WORSHIP OUR KING**


Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Saviour has done
See how His love overcomes
He has done great things
He has done great things

*O Hero of Heaven
You conquered the grave
You free every captive
And break every chain
O God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom
Awake and alive
O Jesus our Saviour
Your name lifted high
O God, You have done great things*

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things
And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is yes and amen
You will do great things
God You do great things

Hallelujah God above it all
Hallelujah God unshakable
Hallelujah You have done great things
(Repeat)
You've done great things

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 **AS THE DEER PANTS FOR THE WATER,**
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.

You're my Friend and You are my Brother,
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other.
So much more than anything.

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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

May the Father forgive us
 by the death of his Son
 and strengthen us to live
 in the power of the Spirit all our days.
 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*

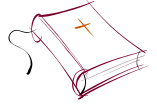
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TIME IN THE WORD

Bible Reading: Mark 10: 1-16

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



SERMON



OH KNEEL ME DOWN AGAIN,

Here at Your feet;
 Show me how much You love humility.
 Oh Spirit, be the star that leads me to
 The humble heart of love I see in You.

*You are the God of the broken,
 The friend of the weak;
 You wash the feet of the weary,
 Embrace the ones in need.
 I want to be like You, Jesus,
 To have this heart in me.
 You are the God of the humble,
 You are the humble King.*

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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.**



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



AMAZING GRACE!

How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

*My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.*

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine,
You are forever mine.

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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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