

23rd March 2025

Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

Rev Rob Powell will be leading and presiding, and Richard Reddie will be preaching on 'Spiritual Senses #3: Touch' (Luke 8: 40-56)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION



HE'S COMING ON THE CLOUDS

Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty.

*Our God is the Lion,
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring in power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sin of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before
The Lion and the Lamb.
Every knee will bow before Him.*

So, open up the gates,
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty.

Bridge:

*Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord!*

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MY JESUS, MY SAVIOUR,

Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

*Shout to the Lord
All the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty,
Praise to the King.
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You,
Forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You.*

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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



GLORY AND HONOUR

To you we bring
 Beautiful Saviour
 Your praise we sing
 Heaven bows down
 And worships your name
 God of creation we praise.

*And so to you
 We'll give you praise
 We'll give the glory to you always
 (Repeat)*

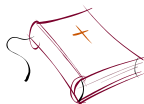
Honour the King, honour the King
 We will honour the King
 (Repeat)

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TIME IN THE WORD

Bible Reading: Luke 8: 40-56

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



SERMON



ALL MY WORDS FALL SHORT

I got nothing new
 How could I express
 All my gratitude?
 I could sing these songs
 As I often do
 But every song must end
 And You never do

*So I throw up my hands
 And praise You again and again
 'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah
 Hallelujah
 And I know it's not much
 But I've nothing else fit for a King
 Except for a heart singing hallelujah
 Hallelujah*

I've got one response
 I've got just one move
 With my arms stretched wide
 I will worship You

Bridge:

Come on, my soul
 Oh, don't you get shy on me
 Lift up your song
 'Cause you've got a lion
 Inside of those lungs
 Get up and praise the Lord
 (Repeat)

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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

**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



O LORD MY GOD!

When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works
Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars,
I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout
The universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul,
My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art!
How great Thou art!
(Repeat)*

When through the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God, How great Thou art!

OFFERTORY PRAYER & BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

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

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