

Sunday Worship: 20th September 5pm

Welcome: Rev Amy Stott

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

Make known God's deeds among the peoples!

God blesses us with gifts of love:

with food and clothing, home and family.

God blesses us with daily work:

and all we need from day to day.

God protects us in time of danger:

and guards us from every evil.

God calls us into relationship with him:

and forms us into one holy people,

the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

Therefore shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

Opening prayer:

Heavenly Father,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ
to make us ready to meet with you.
Send your Holy Spirit on us now, we pray,
that we may hear your word,

Share in your communion,
receive your grace,
and be renewed in your love. AMEN.

Confession

we pray together:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we are saying sorry
for the wrong things we have done and for the right things we
have not done; forgive us we pray, and help us to start again, to
live new lives as your people, and to be more like Jesus your
Son. Amen

Bible reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+corinthians+9%3A6-15&version=ESV>

Gospel reading: Luke 12:16-30

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=luke+12%3A16-30&version=ESV>

Sermon

Hymn to reflect upon : Beauty for Brokenness

V1: Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair
Lord in the suffering this is our prayer.
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace
sunrise to sunset
your kingdom increase.

Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills
work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills.
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak
voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak

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Chorus: God of the poor, friend of the weak
give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain
Come change our love from a spark to a flame.

v3. Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear
cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain

Chorus

v4. Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams
plundered and poisoned, our futures, our dreams.
Lord end our madness, carelessness, greed.
make us content with the things that we need.

Chorus

v5. Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame
until your justice burns brightly again.
Until the nations, learn of your ways
seek your salvation and bring you their praise

Chorus

(Graham Kendrick c. 1993 Make Way Music)

Intercessions:

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Communion:

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 him thanks and praise.
... forever praising you and saying:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven
and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.**

... Christ is the bread of life:
***When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim
your death Lord Jesus until you come in glory***

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name:
thy kingdom come, thy will be done
On Earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread**

forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Post Communion Prayer

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

Closing Prayer

**Eternal God, beginning and end,
go with us in this week's journey,
Shine in our darkness,
open our eyes to all you are doing around us today.
Take us and use us, to bring to others, the new life you
give us in Christ Jesus.**

Blessing

Hymn to reflect upon: Hymn: Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changes not, thy compassions they fail not
as thou hast been, thou for ever will be.

Chorus: Great is thy faithfulness, Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

Chorus

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