

Sunday Worship: 21st February 2021

Welcome: Rev Amy Stott

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee
Who were, and are, and evermore shall be

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see
Only you are holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

(Reginald Herber 1783-1826)

Opening prayer:

Most holy Lord you were tempted as we are; be our strength
in times of weakness. When we fall lift us up, when we are in
error direct us. In all our wanderings be our guide; that we
may be your faithful people to our life's end. Amen.

Confession

we pray together:

Most merciful God, please forgive us when we have said "Yes"
to sin; when we have failed to love you, chosen to ignore you
and done what we have wanted to do. Please forgive us when
we have put ourselves first, lived selfishly and not cared about
other people. Please forgive us Lord; we want to change, and
we need your help.

Thank you that you chose the path of love and died on the
cross so that our sins can be forgiven. Thank you Lord. Help
us to follow you and walk the path of the cross, saying "no"
to sin. Help us Lord to love you with all of our hearts, and to
love others as we love ourselves. Help us Lord. In Jesus'
name we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Let your living water flow over my soul

Let your living water flow over my soul
Let your Holy Spirit come and take control
Of every situation that has troubled my mind
All my cares and burdens unto you I roll.

Chorus: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Father, Father, Father,
Spirit, Spirit, Spirit.

v2: Give your life to Jesus let him fill your soul
Let him take you in His arms and make you whole
As you give your life to Him, he'll set you free
You will live and reign with him eternally

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Chorus

v3: Come now Holy Spirit and take control,
Hold me in your loving arms and make me whole
Wipe away all doubt and fear and take my pride
Draw me close to your love and keep me by your side.

(John Watson c. 1986 Ampelos Music)

First reading: Isaiah 40:28-31

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=isaiah+40%3A28-31&version=ESV>

Hymn: Strength Will Rise (Everlasting God)

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, we will upon the Lord. (x2)

Our God, You reign forever, Our hope, our Strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, you won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak, you comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, we will upon the Lord. (x2)

(Brenton Brown & Ken Riley, c 2005 Thankyou Music)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=matthew+4%3A1-11&version=GNT>

Sermon

Hymn: I will offer up my life

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth,
pouring out the oil of love as my worship to you
In surrender I must give my every part
Lord receive the sacrifice of a broken heart

Chorus: Jesus what can I give, what can I bring?
To so faithful a friend to so loving a King?
Saviour what can be said, what can be sung?
As a praise of your name for the things you have done?
O my words could not tell, not even in part,
of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.

You deserve my every breath for you've paid the great cost
giving up your life to death even death on a cross.
You took all my shame away, there defeated my sin
opened up the gates of heaven and have beckoned me in.
Chorus.

(Matt Redman c. 1994 Thank you Music)

Intercessions

Peace

Hymn: You laid aside your majesty

You laid aside your majesty, have up everything for me
Suffered at the hands of those you had created.

You took all my sin and shame when you died and rose again
Now today you reign, and heaven and earth exalt you.

I really want to worship you my Lord
You have won my heart and I am yours.

Forever and ever, I will love you
You are the only one who died for me
Gave your life to set me free
So I lift my voice to you in adoration.

(Noel Richards c. 1985 Thankyou Music)

As we prepare for communion we would normally bring our offerings to God. You are still able to tithe via online bank transfer to the church account 'St Luke's Parochial Church Council' Sort Code: 090153 Account No: 00241909.

Alternatively if you have been setting money aside in your envelopes do let Rev Amy know and she can collect them for you or have you bring them to church.

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.

... Father Almighty in songs of everlasting praise-
Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever, Amen.

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 and 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

Lord God you are what we need. In this season of Lent nourish our faith, increase our hope, strengthen our love, teach us to always hunger for you as you are the true and living bread; enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn: I Stand Amazed

I stand amazed in the presence
of Jesus the Nazarene
and wonder how he could love me,
a sinner condemned unclean.

Chorus: How marvellous! How wonderful
and my song shall ever be
How marvellous! How wonderful
is my Saviour's love for me.

v2: For me it was in the garden he prayed
not my will but thine!
He had no tears for his own griefs
but sweat drops of blood for mine.

Chorus

v3: He took my sins and my sorrows
he made them his very own

He bore the burden of Calvary
and suffered and died alone

Chorus

v4: When with the ransomed in glory
his face I at last shall see
t'will be my joy through the ages
to sing of his love for me.

Chorus

(Charles H Gabriel (1856-1932) Rodeheaver Co./ Word Music)

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