

Sunday Worship: 16th January 2022

Welcome

Hymn: Give Thanks to the Lord, our God and King

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King
His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things
His love endures forever,
Sing Praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing Praise, sing praise, sing praise, sing praise

Chorus: Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong
Forever God is with us, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun his love endures forever
And by the grace of God
we will carry on his love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise
Chorus
(Chris Tomlin, 2001, EMI CMG Publishing)

Opening prayer:

Almighty God you give gifts to all your people; give us the power and ability to do what you would have us do for you. Help us to use the gifts you've given us for the benefit of

others and for your glory, through Jesus 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.

Hymn: I am a new creation

I am a new creation, no more in condemnation
Here in the grace of God I stand.
My heart is overflowing, my love just keeps on growing
Here in the grace of God I stand.

And I will praise you Lord, yes I will praise you Lord
and I will sing of all that you have done
A joy that knows no limit, a lightness in my spirit
Here in the grace of God I stand.
(Dave Bilbrough c. 1983 Thank you Music)

First reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+timothy+3&version=GNT>

Hymn: As the Deer

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.

Chorus: 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

Chorus

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.

(Martin Nystrom 1983 Restoration Music Ltd/ Sovereign Music UK)

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:1-4

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=luke+1%3A1-4&version=ESV>

Sermon

Hymn: Goodness of God

I love you Lord and your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in your hands
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Chorus: All my life You have been faithful
All my life you have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.

V2: I love your voice, you have led me through the fire
In darkest nights you are close like no other

I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Chorus

(Jenn Johnson, Jason INgram, Ben Fielding, Ed Cash, Brian Johnson c. 2018 Bethel Music
Publishing/ Alletrop Music (BMI))

Intercessions

Peace

Hymn: The Creed

Our Father everlasting,
the all creating One
God Almighty
Through your Holy Spirit,
conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour

Chorus: I believe in God our Father,
I believe in Christ the Son
I believed in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one.
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus

Our Judge and our Defender,
suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in you
Descended into darkness,
you rose in glorious life
Forever seated high.

Chorus

I believe in you- I believe you rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth,
I believe in the saint's communion and in your holy church
I believe in the resurrection when Jesus comes again
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

Chorus.

(Ben Fielding, Matt Crocker c. 2014 Hillsong Music Publishing)

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.

... We join with them in heaven's song:
**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.**

to the bidding This is his story, the response is:
This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit-
**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for
ever and ever, Amen.**

Standing at the foot of the cross, 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

**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. Amen.**

Hymn: Tell out my soul

Tell out my Soul, the greatness of the Lord
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2. Tell out my soul the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done.
his mercy sure, from age to age the same:
his holy Name, the Lord, the Mighty One!

3. Tell out my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed the humble lifted high.

4. Tell out my Soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise and his mercy sure.
Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

(Timothy Dudley- Smith (b.1926) c. Timothy Dudley-Smith)

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