

GILCOMSTON

3 November 2019

Today's preacher is:
Rev Jerry Middleton

...Christ is the mediator of a new covenant...

Hebrews 9:15 (NIV)

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Benediction

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

Sundays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Woodend Hospital Service at
9.30am

Morning Service 11am (10.50am on
10th)

Prayer at 6pm in the Upper Hall
Evening Service 6.30pm

Tuesdays 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Lunchtime Service 12.45pm

Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

mainly music at 10am in the Hall

27th only

Cafeplus at 2pm in the Hall

Thursdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

Coffee and Chat Outreach at
12.30pm

Fridays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Babies and Toddlers at 10am in the
Hall

Saturdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

Prayer Meeting at 7pm in the Hall
Outreach 9pm

- 1st Youth Group bonfire at 7pm at Andrew and Jeanne Ritchie's house—
all the congregation is welcome to attend. Directions from Jeanne
Ritchie
- 3rd Service at 10.15am at Rosewell House
- 5th Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm in the Hall
- 8th Young Adults' Bible Study at 7.30pm at Sam and Katie Rose's House
- 10th Service at Short Loanings at 3pm
Youth Group at 4pm at Alan and Elaine Cordiner's House
- 12th Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm in the Hall
- 15th Youth Group at 7pm at Gerrard Street Baptist Church
- 21st Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm in the Hall
- 22nd Young Adults' Games Night at 7.30pm at Alan and Elaine Cordiner's
House
- 24th Service at 2.45pm at Strachan Mill Court
Youth Group at 4pm at Mike and Alison Strudwick's House
- 28th Evangelical Leaders' Lunch at 12.30pm in the Hall
- 29th Youth Group at 7pm at JumpIn
Universities' Christian Unions Carol Service at 8pm in the Church

INFORMATION FOR VISITORS TO GILCOMSTON

Please put your **mobile phones on silent** and keep your belongings with you at all times.

Cups and jugs of water are available on the tables at the back of the church. If you or someone in your row is struggling with a cough, please don't be shy about helping yourself!

We don't want anyone, especially women, standing at bus stops on Union Street in the dark or having to walk alone to their home/car. Please ask at the Welcome Desk if you're in any doubt about getting home this evening or from any of our other evening meetings.

The Offering is collected during the service as part of the church family's worship to God. If you're visiting today, please don't feel embarrassed about letting the baskets pass along the row. Many Gilcomston regulars will do the same because they give through their bank. If you are a UK taxpayer and would like tax to be reclaimed by the church on your offering, please fill out a Gift Aid form which you will find at the Welcome Desk and place this in the offering basket in the red envelope provided. For further information about the Gift Aid scheme, please speak to Alan Cordiner.

Today's hymns will be displayed on the screen. If you would prefer to use a hymn sheet, please ask the door stewards. Large print hymn sheets are available from the stewards at the back of the Church.

If you're new to Gilcomston, we invite you to fill out one of the welcome cards at the Welcome Desk.

We have an induction loop fitted for the hard of hearing. Please set your hearing aid to position "T" and sit near the centre of the Church.

Sermons are available for purchase in CD format from the Welcome Desk.

NOTICES

Christmas Post Box

Save some money on stamps by posting your Christmas cards for other Gilc attendees in the Gilcomston Christmas Post Box. Available to all attendees at Gilc, the post box will be open on Sunday 1 December and will close after the evening service on Sunday 15 December. Please write the **FULL NAME** of the recipient on the card and then post your cards in the post box on the Welcome Desk. Cards will then be sorted by the Youth Group, for collection, into trays at the front of the church. Please do not 'self-sort' your cards into the trays! You may wish to consider donating your saved stamp costs to the Christmas Appeal.

Christian Medical Fellowship Conference

All qualified and student nurses and midwives are invited to enjoy a day conference in Edinburgh on behalf of CMF. The conference will take place at Bruntsfield Evangelical Church, Edinburgh, on 9 November from 9.30am to 6.30pm. Transport is available. For more info please contact rgucmf nursingandmidwifery@gmail.com

Operation Christmas Love

Operation Christmas Love is one of the most important programmes of the year for Mission Without Borders, as it is their way of communicating the love of Christ to as many people as possible at Christmas time.

So many people live in poverty and struggle to put food on the table in Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Moldova, Romania and Ukraine. At Christmas time MWB want people to experience the love and generosity of Christ by supplying those in poverty with an OCL parcel of food, essentials and treats, along with Christian Literature that presents the gospel.

Last year, thanks to kind and generous support, MWB raised £36,735 - enough to send 1,224 Operation Christmas Love boxes to children and families in eastern Europe. This year they have already raised £8000. However, it would be wonderful if, with your help, they were able to equal or exceed the funds raised last year. To make a Christmas gift, simply go to mwbuk.org/donate-appeal

MORNING

1. **O for a thousand tongues, to sing**
my great Redeemer's praise,
my great Redeemer's praise.
The glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of His grace!
2. He breaks the power
of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make
the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.
3. He speaks, and, listening to His voice,
new life the dead receive,
new life the dead receive.
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
4. Hear Him, ye deaf;
His praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy!
5. Glory to God, and praise, and love
be ever, ever given
be ever, ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

Charles Wesley 1707-88

1. **Jesus loves me! This I know,**
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to Him belong;
they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes! Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.
2. Jesus loves me! He who died
heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
let His little child come in.
Yes! Jesus loves me!
3. Jesus loves me! He will stay
close beside me all the way;
then His little child will take
up to heaven, for His dear sake.
Yes! Jesus loves me!

Anna Bartlett Warner 1820-1915

1. **Jesus Christ, I think upon Your Sacrifice;**

You became nothing, poured out to death.

Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life

and I'm in that place once again,

I'm in that place once again.

*And once again I look upon
the cross where You died.*

*I'm humbled by Your mercy
and I'm broken inside.*

*Once again I thank You,
once again I pour out my life.*

2. Now You are exalted to the highest place,
King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow.
But for now I marvel at this saving grace
and I'm full of praise once again,
I'm full of praise once again.
And once again I look upon...

Matt Redman ©1995 Kingsway's Thank You Music

1. **Mine are days that God has numbered,**

I was made to walk with Him.

Yet I look for worldly treasure
and forsake the King of kings.

But mine is hope in my Redeemer,
though I fall, His love is sure.

For Christ has paid for every
failing,

I am His forevermore.

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow,
darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel
where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from
heaven
and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes his work in me.
*And mine are keys to Zion city
where beside the King I walk,
for there my heart has found its
treasure,
Christ is mine forevermore.*

3. Mine are days here as a stranger,
pilgrim on a narrow way,
one with Christ I will encounter
harm and hatred for His name.
But mine is armour for this battle,
Strong enough to last the war,
and He has said He will deliver
safely to the golden shore.
And mine are keys ...

Jonny Robinson and Rich Thomson

1. **And can it be that I should gain**
 an interest in the Saviour's blood?
 Died He for me, who caused His pain?
 For me, who Him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! How can it be
 that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
2. 'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
 Who can explore His strange design?
 In vain the first-born seraph tries
 to sound the depths of love divine.
 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
 let angel minds enquire no more.
3. He left his Father's throne above—
 so free, so infinite His grace—
 emptied Himself of all but love,
 and bled for Adam's helpless race.
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
 for, O my God, it found out me!
4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay
 fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light,
 my chains fell off, my heart was free,
 I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
5. No condemnation now I dread;
 Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
 Alive in Him, my living Head,
 and clothed in righteousness divine,
 bold I approach the eternal throne,
 and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Charles Wesley 1707-88

Father of Christ - of Him whose work was done,
 when by His death He took our sins away -
 to Thee belongeth worship, day by day,
 yea, holy Father, everlasting Son,
 and Holy Ghost, all praise be Thine for aye!

George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1910

EVENING

1. **Ho! ye that thirst, approach the spring**
 where living waters flow;
 free to that sacred fountain all
 without a price may go.
2. How long to streams of false delight
 will ye in crowds repair?
 How long your strength
 and substance waste
 on trifles, light as air?
3. My stores afford those rich supplies
 that health and pleasure give:
 incline your ear and come to Me;
 the soul that hears shall live.
4. Seek ye the Lord while yet His ear
 is open to your call
 while offer'd mercy still is near,
 before His footstool fall.
5. Let sinners quit their evil ways,
 their evil thoughts forego;
 and God, when they to Him return,
 returning grace will show.

Paraphrase 26:1-3, 7-8

1. **Speak, O Lord, as we come to You**
to receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
that the light of Christ
might be seen today
in our acts of love
and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
all Your purposes, for Your glory.
2. Teach us Lord full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise
cause our eyes to see
your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
let their truth prevail over unbelief.
3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built
as You fill the earth with Your glory.

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend © 2005 Thankyou Music

1. **God of grace and God of glory,**
on Thy people pour Thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears
that long have bound us,
free our hearts to love and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days.
3. Cure Thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to Thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.
4. Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christlike graces,
pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor Thee!
5. Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for Thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving Thee whom we adore.

Henry Emerson Fosdick 1878-1969