

# GILCOMSTON

Sunday, 2 May 2021

Today's preacher is:  
Rev Jerry Middleton

*... 'I have loved you,' says the LORD ...*

**Malachi 1:2 (NIV)**

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# CALENDAR FOR MAY

## **Sundays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th**

Morning Service 11am

Evening Service 6.30pm

## **Tuesdays 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th**

Lunchtime Service 12.45pm

## **Saturdays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th**

Prayer Meeting at 7pm

Also

4th Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm on Zoom

9th Youth Group at 4pm in the Church Hall

11th Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

14th Youth Group at 7pm at Hazelhead Park

19th Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

23rd Youth Group at 4pm in the Church Hall

28th Youth Group at 7pm at the Duthie Park

All Church Services (Sunday and Tuesday) will be available on the home page of our website, on Facebook or YouTube.

Prayer Meetings will take place via Zoom (please download Zoom Cloud Meetings to your smart phone or open a free account on your computer, then email [rosie.mckie@gilcomston.org](mailto:rosie.mckie@gilcomston.org) to be placed on the mailing list).

Seating on Sunday mornings will be by allocation—please contact the church office if you're not already on the mailing list.

Seating on Sunday evenings is by booking via front page of the church website

<http://www.gilcomston.org/booking-seats-for-sunday-services/>

# Morning

## Welcome and Notices

### Praise

**Behold the amazing gift of love**  
the Father has bestowed  
on us, the sinful sons of men,  
to call us sons of God!

Concealed as yet this honour lies,  
by this dark world unknown,  
a world that knew not, when He came,  
God's own eternal Son.

High is the rank we now possess,  
but higher we shall rise;  
though what we shall hereafter be  
is hidden from our eyes.

Our souls, we know, when He appears,  
shall bear His image bright;  
for all His glory, full disclosed,  
shall open to our sight.

A hope so great and so divine  
may trials well endure,  
and purify our souls from sin,  
as Christ Himself is pure.

*Scottish Paraphrases 1781 Based on Isaac Watts 1674-1748*

### Prayer

### Reading

Malachi 1:2-5

## Children's Talk

### Praise

**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.*

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!...*

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*

### Prayer

## Praise

**In Christ alone my hope is found,**  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My Comforter, my All in All,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones He came to save:  
till on that cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied -  
for every sin on Him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain:  
then bursting forth in glorious Day  
up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
for I am His and He is mine -  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the power of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
can ever pluck me from His hand;  
till He returns or calls me home,  
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

*Stuart Townend*  
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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

## Praise

**Jesus, be the centre,**  
be my source, be my light.  
Jesus.

Jesus, be the centre,  
be my hope, be my song.  
Jesus.

*Be the fire in my heart,  
be the wind in these sails,  
be the reason that I live;  
Jesus, Jesus.*

Jesus, be my vision,  
be my path, be my guide.  
Jesus.

*Be the fire in my heart...*

*Michael Frye  
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## Prayer

### Message

### Renewal

In Christ Alone

## Prayer

## Praise

**How deep the Father's love for us,**  
how vast beyond all measure,  
that He should give His only Son  
to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss:  
the Father turns His face away,  
as wounds which mar the chosen one  
bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,  
my sin upon His shoulders:  
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
call out among the scoffers.  
It was His love that held Him there  
until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer,  
but this I know with all my heart,  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Behold the man upon the throne,  
the sons all brought to glory,  
cry 'Hallelujah' to the lamb  
and sing redemption's story.  
And all creation bows in awe,  
the wretch is now a treasure.  
By faith alone through grace alone,  
in Christ alone forever.

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## Prayer

### Message

Recovering Passion

### Praise

**Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound**  
that saved a wretch like me;  
I once was lost, but now I'm found;  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and Grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that Grace appear,  
the hour I first believed!

*My chains are gone. I've been set free,  
my God, my Saviour has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
unending love, amazing Grace.*

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.  
*My chains are gone....*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
the sun forbear to shine.

But God who called me here below,  
will be forever mine, will be forever mine,  
You are forever mine.

*John P Rees, John Newton, Edwin Othello Excell  
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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

# Evening

## Welcome and Notices

### Praise

**Ho! ye that thirst, approach the spring**  
where living waters flow;  
free to that sacred fountain all  
without a price may go.

How long to streams of false delight  
will ye in crowds repair?  
How long your strength and substance waste  
on trifles, light as air?

My stores afford those rich supplies  
that health and pleasure give:  
incline your ear and come to Me;  
the soul that hears shall live.

Seek ye the Lord while yet His ear  
is open to your call  
while offer'd mercy still is near,  
before His footstool fall.

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*

### Prayer

### Reading

1 Kings 18:20-39