

Sunday, 3 October 2021

Today's preacher is:
Phil Hair

Morning Service

Welcome and Notices

Praise

Come, people of the risen King,
who delight to bring Him praise;
come all and tune your hearts to sing
to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach
to gather children in.
*Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night;
come, those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
and His mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days
with the certain hope of peace.
Rejoice, Rejoice...

Come, young and old from every land -
men and women of the faith;
come, those with full or empty hands -
find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing -
shore to shore we hear them call
the Truth that cries through every age:
"Our God is all in all!"
Rejoice, Rejoice...

*Keith and Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend
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Prayer

Reading

1 Peter 3:18 – 4:6

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. ¹⁹After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits— ²⁰to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

Living for God

4 Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin. ²As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. ³For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. ⁴They are surprised that you do not join them in their reckless, wild living, and they heap abuse on you. ⁵But they will have to give account

to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to human standards in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.

Children's Talk

Praise

My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
The mountains are His,
The rivers are His,
The stars are His handiwork too.
My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.

My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.
He's called you to live for Him every day,
in all that you say and you do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing that He cannot do.

Phil Burt

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Prayer

Praise

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count as loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the cross of Christ my God;
the very things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
when did such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His lifeblood, like a crimson robe,
clothes all His body on the tree:
then I am dead to all the globe,
and all the globe is dead to me!

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all!

Isaac Watts 1674-1748

Prayer

Message

The Heart Of The Gospel – A Cross

1 Peter 3:18 – 4:6

Praise

Man of sorrows! What a name

for the Son of God, who came
ruined sinners to reclaim:

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Mocked by insults harsh and crude,
in my place condemned He stood;
sealed my pardon with His blood:

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Guilty, vile and helpless, we;
spotless Lamb of God was He:
full atonement – can it be?

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Lifted up was He to die,
'It is finished!' was His cry;
now in heaven, exalted high:

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

When He comes, our glorious King,
all His ransomed home to bring;
then anew this song we'll sing:

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

Philip Bliss 1838-76

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 Service

Welcome and Notices

Praise

Thou art the everlasting Word,

the Father's only Son;

God manifestly seen and heard,

and Heaven's beloved One:

*Worthy, O Lamb of God, art Thou
that every knee to Thee should bow.*

In Thee most perfectly expressed
the Father's glories shine;
of the full Deity possessed,

eternally divine:
Worthy, O Lamb of God...

True image of the infinite,
whose essence is concealed;
brightness of uncreated light;
the heart of God revealed:
Worthy, O Lamb of God...

But the high mysteries of Thy name
an angel's grasp transcend;
the Father only – glorious claim!
the Son can comprehend:
Worthy, O Lamb of God...

Throughout the universe of bliss,
the centre Thou, and sun;
the eternal theme of praise is this,
to heaven's beloved One:
Worthy, O Lamb of God...

Josiah Conder 1789-1855

Prayer

Reading

Revelation 4 and 5

The Throne in Heaven

4 After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." ²At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. ³And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. ⁴Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. ⁵From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. ⁶Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.

In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back. ⁷The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. ⁸Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

"Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come."

⁹Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, ¹⁰the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

¹¹"You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they were created
and have their being."

The Scroll and the Lamb

5 Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" ³But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. ⁴I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. ⁵Then one of the

elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying:

"You are worthy to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
because you were slain,
and with your blood you purchased for God
persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

¹⁰You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,
and they will reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. ¹²In a loud voice they were saying:

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!"

¹³Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be praise and honor and glory and power,
for ever and ever!"

¹⁴The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Praise

There is a higher throne

than all this world has known,
where faithful ones from every tongue
will one day come.

Before the Son we'll stand,
made faultless through the Lamb;
believing hearts find promised grace,
salvation comes.

*Hear heaven's voices sing,
their thunderous anthem rings;
through emerald courts and sapphire skies
their praises rise.*

*All glory, wisdom, power,
strength, thanks and honour are
to God, our King who reigns on high
for evermore.*

And there we'll find our home,
our life before the throne;
we'll honour Him in perfect song,
where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear stained eye,
as thirst and hunger die;
the Lamb becomes our Shepherd King,
we'll reign with Him.

Hear heaven's voices sing...

Prayer

Message

The Heart Of The Gospel – A Throne

Revelation 4 and 5

Prayer

Praise

Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy chosen King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Son of God
before the worlds began;
and ye who tread where He hath trod,
crown Him the Son of Man,
who every grief hath known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for His own,
that all in Him may rest.

Crown Him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife,
for those He came to save:
His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heaven,
enthroned in worlds above;
crown Him the King to whom is given
the wondrous name of love:
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of lords,
who over all doth reign,
Who once on earth, the incarnate Word,
for ransomed sinners slain,
Now lives in realms of light,
where saints with angels sing
Their songs before Him day and night,
their God, Redeemer, King.

Matthew Bridges 1800-1894 and Godfrey Thring 1823-1903

Calendar for October

Sundays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

Morning Service 11am

Evening Service 6.30pm

Wednesday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

mainly music 10am

ReLaunch 12.30pm

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

Prayer Meeting at 7pm

Also

3rd Youth Group at 4.00pm in the Hall

7th Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm on Zoom

12th Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

26th Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

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