

Sunday, 21 November 2021

*The Lord will fulfil His purpose for me...*

Psalm 138:8 (NIV)

Today's preacher is:

Ian Hamilton

## Morning Service

### Welcome and Notices

### Praise

**Glory be to God the Father,**

glory be to God the Son,  
glory be to God the Spirit,  
great I AM, the Three-in-One:  
Glory, glory, glory, glory  
while eternal ages run!

Glory be to Him who loved us,  
washed us from each guilty stain!  
Glory be to Him who bought us,  
made us kings with Him to reign!  
Glory, glory, glory, glory  
to the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels,  
glory to the church's King,  
glory to the King of nations,  
heaven and earth, your praises bring;  
glory, glory, glory, glory  
to the King of glory bring!

'Glory, blessing, praise eternal!'  
Thus the choir of angels sings;  
'honour, riches, power, dominion!'  
Thus its praise creation brings;  
glory, glory, glory, glory  
glory to the King of kings!

*Horatius Bonar, 1808-89*

### Prayer

### Reading

Psalm 138

*Of David.*

- <sup>1</sup> I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart;  
before the "gods" I will sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and will praise your name  
for your unfailing love and your faithfulness,  
for you have so exalted your solemn decree  
that it surpasses your fame.
- <sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me;  
you greatly emboldened me.
- <sup>4</sup> May all the kings of the earth praise you, LORD,  
when they hear what you have decreed.

<sup>5</sup> May they sing of the ways of the LORD,  
for the glory of the LORD is great.

<sup>6</sup> Though the LORD is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly;  
though lofty, he sees them from afar.

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve my life.

You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes;  
with your right hand you save me.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD will vindicate me;  
your love, LORD, endures forever—  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

## Children's Talk

### Praise

**Teach me to trust You, Lord Jesus,**  
help me to draw close to You.  
Let me be filled with Your joy and delight,  
Lord, may I know more of You.

Teach me to pray to You, Jesus,  
please give me the right words to say.  
Help me to pray for my friends at school,  
so they may get to know You.

Teach me to love you, Lord Jesus,  
show me the things I must do.  
Help me to get to that place, O Lord,  
where I can be close to You.

*Iain Craig*  
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### Prayer

### Praise

**Praise God, my soul! With all my heart**  
let me exalt His holy name.  
Forget not all His benefits;  
His praise, my soul, in song proclaim.

The Lord forgives you all your sins,  
and heals your sickness and distress;  
your life He rescues from the grave,  
and crowns you in His tenderness.

He satisfies your deep desires  
from His unending stores of good,  
so that, just like the eagle's strength,  
your youthful vigour is renewed.

The Lord is known for righteous acts  
and justice to downtrodden ones.  
To Moses He made known His ways,  
His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.

The Lord is merciful and kind,  
to anger slow, and full of grace.  
He will not chide incessantly,  
or in His anger hide His face.

He does not punish our misdeeds,  
or give our sins their just reward,

as high as heaven, so great's His love  
towards all those who fear the Lord.

As far as east is from the west,  
so far His love has borne away  
the sin and trespass we have done,  
and all the guilt that on us lay.

Just as a father loves his child,  
so God loves those who fear His name.  
For He remembers we are dust,  
and He well knows our feeble frame.

*Psalm 103:1-14*

## Prayer

## Message

### **My Times Are In Your Hands**

## Prayer

## Praise

**From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun,**  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away,  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
For Your covenant is sure,  
and on this I am secure—  
I can stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

When I stumble and I sin, condemnation pressing in,  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
You are faithful to forgive that in freedom I might live,  
as I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
Guilt to innocence restored,  
You remember sins no more—  
So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice, I will listen for Your voice,  
and I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
Through this dark and troubled land  
You will guide me with Your hand  
as I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
And You've promised to complete  
ev'ry work begun in me—  
so I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

Hope that lifts me from despair, love that casts out ev'ry fear,  
as I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
Not forsaken, not alone, for the Comforter has come,  
and I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.  
Grace sufficient, grace for me,  
grace for all who will believe—  
We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

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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 Service

### Welcome and Notices

#### Praise

**God, whose almighty word**  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Saviour, who came to bring  
on Your redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind:  
O now to all mankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving holy Dove,  
speed on Your flight!  
Move on the waters' face  
bearing the lamp of grace  
and, in earth's darkest place,  
let there be light!

Gracious and holy Three,  
all-glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might:  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride  
through the world far and wide,  
let there be light!

*John Marriott 1780-1825*

#### Prayer

#### Reading

### 2 Corinthians 3

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, like some people, letters of recommendation to you or from you? <sup>2</sup>You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone. <sup>3</sup>You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

<sup>4</sup>Such confidence we have through Christ before God. <sup>5</sup>Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. <sup>6</sup>He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

The Greater Glory of the New Covenant

<sup>7</sup>Now if the ministry that brought death, which was engraved in letters on stone, came with glory, so that the Israelites could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of its glory, transitory though it was, <sup>8</sup>will not the ministry of the Spirit be even more glorious? <sup>9</sup>If the ministry that brought condemnation was glorious, how much more glorious is the ministry that brings righteousness! <sup>10</sup>For what was glorious has no glory now in comparison with the surpassing glory. <sup>11</sup>And if what was transitory came with glory, how much greater is the glory of that which lasts!

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. <sup>13</sup>We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup>Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. <sup>16</sup>But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

## Praise

### **The perfect wisdom of our God**

revealed in all the universe.

All things created by His hand  
and held together at His command.  
He knows the mysteries of the seas,  
the secrets of the stars are His.  
He guides the planets on their way  
and turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways,  
that mark the path of righteousness;  
His Word a lamp unto my feet,  
His Spirit teaching and guiding me.  
And O the myst'ry of the cross,  
that God should suffer for the lost  
so that the fool might shame the wise,  
and all the glory might go to Christ.

O grant me wisdom from above,  
to pray for peace and cling to love,  
and teach me humbly to receive  
the sun and rain of Your sovereignty.  
Each strand of sorrow has a place  
within this tapestry of grace;  
so through the trials I'll choose to say:  
'Your perfect will in Your perfect way.'

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## Prayer

## Message

### **Beholding Christ's Glory**

## Prayer

## Praise

**I waited for the Lord my God,**  
and patiently did bear;  
at length to me he did incline  
my voice and cry to hear.

He took me from a fearful pit,  
and from the miry clay,  
and on a rock He set my feet,  
establishing my way.

He put a new song in my mouth,  
our God to magnify;  
many shall see it, and shall fear,  
and on the Lord rely.

O blessed is the man whose trust  
upon the Lord relies;

respecting not the proud, nor such  
as turn aside to lies.

O Lord my God, full many are  
the wonders Thou has done;  
Thy gracious thought to us-ward far  
above all thoughts are gone:

In order none can reckon them  
to Thee; if them declare,  
and speak of them I would, they more  
than can be numbered are.

*Psalm 40:1-5*

### **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 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>**

Morning Service 11am (10.50am on 14<sup>th</sup>)

Evening Service 6.30pm

#### **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>**

mainly music 10am

ReLaunch 12.30pm

#### **Saturdays 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>**

Prayer Meeting at 7pm

Also

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm on Zoom
- 5<sup>th</sup> Youth Group Bonfire at 7pm at Greendams, Drumoak
- 9<sup>th</sup> Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom
- 14<sup>th</sup> Youth Group at 4.45pm in the Church Hall
- 18<sup>th</sup> Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom
- 19<sup>th</sup> Young Adults at 7pm at Adam and Sheila's House
- 28<sup>th</sup> Youth Group at 4.45pm in the Church Hall
- 30<sup>th</sup> Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm on Zoom

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