

Sunday, 23 January 2022

...our eyes look to the LORD our God...

Psalm 123:2 (NIV)

Today's preacher is:

Jerry Middleton

Morning Service

Welcome and Notices

Praise

Praise waits for Thee in Zion, Lord:

to Thee vows paid shall be.

O Thou that hearer art of pray'r,
all flesh shall come to Thee.

Iniquities, I must confess,
prevail against me do;
but as for our transgressions,
them purge away shalt Thou.

Bless'd is the man whom Thou dost choose,
and mak'st approach to Thee,
that he within Thy courts, O Lord,
may still a dweller be.

We surely shall be satisfy'd
with Thy abundant grace,
and with the goodness of Thy house,
ev'n of Thy holy place.

Psalm 65 vv1-4

Prayer

Reading

Psalm 123

A song of ascents.

¹I lift up my eyes to you,
to you who sit enthroned in heaven.

²As the eyes of slaves look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a female slave look to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God,
till he shows us his mercy.

³Have mercy on us, LORD, have mercy on us,
for we have endured no end of contempt.

⁴We have endured no end
of ridicule from the arrogant,
of contempt from the proud.

Children's Talk

Praise

Jesus wants me to be a bright light shining

in the darkness so people can see.

Jesus wants me to be a brave flame burning
with His love as He wants me to be.

Though it's hard, I know when the feelings go

and the darkness is pressing me in,
but I'll carry on for His love is strong,
it's His light that will make me shine,
it's His light that will make me shine.

Crawford Mackenzie
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Prayer

Praise

Give thanks to God, for He is good,

the everlasting Giver:

let all His people praise the LORD
whose love endures for ever.

For His right hand has made me strong;
I am His new creation:

He is my God, He is my song,
my strength and my salvation.

When troubles loomed on every side
and nameless fears surrounded,
to God my LORD I quickly cried
and soon His help abounded.

For God has heard my desperate plea
and seen my pain and sadness;
He came to me, and set me free
in paths of peace and gladness.

We trust in God, in Him alone;
the stone that was rejected
has now become the cornerstone
that God has resurrected.

The day is His, the first of days,
to celebrate with singing;
rejoice in God, and give Him praise,
our best hosannas bringing.

The LORD has made His light to shine
on all our dark depression;
from east to west, believers join
His victory procession.

O save us, LORD: give us success!
Your gifts flow like a river;

O bless us, God whose name we bless!
Your love endures for ever.

Christopher Idle
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Prayer

Message

The Path Of Life: At Your Service

Prayer

Praise

King of kings, majesty,

God of heaven living in me,
gentle Saviour, closest friend,
strong deliv'rer, beginning and end,
all within me falls at Your throne.

Your majesty, I can but bow.

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

Morning Service at 11am
Evening Service at 6.30pm

Wednesdays 12th, 19th, 26th

mainly music at 10am
ReLaunch at 12.30pm

Saturdays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Prayer Meeting on Zoom at 7pm

Also

Tuesday 4th: Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm on Zoom

Sunday 16th: Youth Group at 4.45pm in the Hall

Tuesday 18th: Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

Friday 21st: Youth Group at 7pm in the Hall

Wednesday 26th: Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

Sunday 30th: Youth Group at 4.45pm in the Hal

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*I lay my all before You now.
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve Your majesty.*

Earth and heaven worship You,
love eternal, faithful and true,
who bought the nations, ransomed souls,
brought this sinner near to Your throne;
all within me cries out in praise.
Your majesty, I can but bow...

Jarrod Cooper

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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

Through all the changing scenes of life,
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
with me exalt His name;
when in distress to Him I called,
He to my rescue came.

Of His deliverance I will boast
till all that are distressed
take comfort from God's help to me
and find in Him their rest.

The hosts of God encamp around
the dwellings of the just;
deliverance He provides for all
who in His mercy trust.

O taste His goodness, prove His love!
Experience will decide
how blessed are they, and only they,
who in His truth confide.

Fear Him, you saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
His service shall be your delight,
your needs shall be His care.

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Prayer

Reading

2 Timothy 3:10-17

A Final Charge to Timothy

¹⁰You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance. ¹¹persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. ¹²In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Praise

Guide me, O my great Redeemer,

pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but You are mighty,
hold me with Your powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow:
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
ever be my strength and shield,
ever be my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever sing to You,
I will ever sing to You.

William Williams, 1717-91 and Peter Williams 1723-96

Prayer

Message

Life On The Heights: Great God For Tough Times

Prayer

Praise

O church arise, and put your armour on;

hear the call of Christ our captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong
in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
we'll stand against the devil's lies;
an army bold, whose battle-cry is love,
reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
but to rage against the captor;
and with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
we will fight with faith and valour.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side
we know the outcome is secure,

and Christ will have the prize for which He died,
an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
as the Son of God is stricken;
then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
for the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
and Christ emerges from the grave,
this vict'ry march continues till the day
ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
that we may run with faith to win the prize
of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
retelling triumphs of his grace,
we hear their calls, and hunger for the day
when with Christ we stand in glory.

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Calendar for January