

Sunday, 1 May 2022

Today's preacher is:
Jerry Middleton

*...all peoples on earth will be blessed through you
Genesis 12:3 (NIV)*

Morning Service

Welcome and Notices

Praise

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for wonders He hath done:
His right hand and His holy arm
Him victory hath won.

The Lord God His salvation
hath caused to be known;
His justice in the heathen's sight
He openly hath shown.

He mindful of His grace and truth
to Isr'el's house hath been;
and the salvation of our God
all ends of th'earth have seen.

Let all the earth unto the Lord
send forth a joyful noise;
lift up your voice aloud to Him,
sing praises, and rejoice.

Psalm 98 v 1-4

Prayer

Reading

Genesis 12:1-3

The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

²"I will make you into a great nation,
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

³I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you."

Children's Talk

Praise

Come on, come in, everybody,
there is a God who is worthy
of all our praise – He alone is Lord.
Come on and join with creation,
let everything shout to praise Him:
glory to Christ – He's the one who made us.
Lift up your voices to heaven's King,

*bow down before His throne.
Our perfect Saviour died for our sin,
Hallelujah!
Praise to Jesus Christ the King.*

Come on, come in, all you weary,
come on and find rest with Jesus.
He is the one who can heal your soul.
Come on and join with the angels,
praising the Lamb who was faithful,
giving His life – He's the one who saved us.
Lift up your voices to heaven's King...

Come on, you saints, keep believing,
gather to hear the Lord speaking,
humble your hearts, tremble at His voice.
Come in with joy for the future,
He will renew heaven and earth.
Jesus is Lord – He's the one who'll raise us.
Lift up your voices to heaven's King...

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Prayer

Praise

Jesus, hope of the nations,
Jesus, comfort for all who mourn.
You are the source of Heaven's hope on earth.
Jesus, light in the darkness,
Jesus, truth in each circumstance,
You are the source of Heaven's light on earth.
In history You lived and died,
You broke the chains You rose to life.
*You are the hope living in us,
You are the rock in Whom we trust.
You are the light
shining for all the world to see.
You rose from the dead conquering fear,
our Prince of Peace drawing us near.
Jesus our hope living for all who will receive,
Lord we believe.*

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Prayer

Message

Jesus Reigns: Jesus: Hope Of The Nations

Prayer

Praise

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run.
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
till sun shall rise and set no more.
Blessings abound where'er He reigns,
the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains,
the weary find eternal rest
and all the sons of want are blessed.

*To our King be highest praise,
rising through eternal days
just and faithful He shall reign:
Jesus shall reign!*

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on His love with sweetest song
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on His name.
To our King be highest praise...

Let every creature rise and bring
blessing and honour to our King.
Angels descend with songs again
and earth repeat the loud amen!
To our King be highest praise...

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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

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
*O my soul, worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning;
it's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass,
and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.
Bless the Lord....

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
Bless the Lord....

And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near, and my time has come;
still my soul will sing Your praise unending:
ten thousand years, and then forevermore!
Bless the Lord....

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Prayer

Reading

1 Corinthians 9:19-27

Paul's Use of His Freedom

¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

The Need for Self-Discipline

²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. ²⁶ Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. ²⁷ No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

Praise

The sands of time are sinking;

the dawn of heaven breaks;
the summer morn I've sighed for,
the fair, sweet morn, awakes.
Dark, dark hath been the midnight,
but dayspring is at hand,
and glory, glory dwelleth
in Immanuel's land.

O Christ! He is the fountain,
the deep, sweet well of love;
the streams on earth I've tasted
more deep I'll drink above:
there to an ocean fullness
His mercy doth expand,
and glory, glory dwelleth
in Immanuel's land.

With mercy and with judgment
my web of time He wove,
and aye the dews of sorrow
were lusted by His love;
I'll bless the hand that guided,
I'll bless the heart that planned,
when throned where glory dwelleth
in Immanuel's land.

I've wrestled on towards heaven
'gainst storm and wind and tide;
now, like a weary traveller
that leaneth on his guide,
amid the shades of evening,
while sinks life's lingering sand,
I hail the glory dawning
in Immanuel's land.

Anne Ross Cousin 1824 -1906

Prayer

Message

Life On The Heights: The Crown Of Righteousness

2 Timothy 4:8

Prayer

Praise

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?

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!

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.

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

Communion

Prayer

Praise

There is a Redeemer,

Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

Thank You, O my Father...

When I stand in glory,
I will see His face.
And there I'll serve my King for ever,
in that Holy Place.

Thank You, O my Father...

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Benediction

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Calendar for May

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

Morning Service at 11am

Evening Service at 6.30pm

Wednesdays 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

mainly music at 10am

ReLaunch at 12.30pm

Saturdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

Prayer Meeting on Zoom at 7pm

Also

Tuesday 3 May: Leadership Team Meeting at 7pm in the Church Hall

Friday 6 May: Young Adults at 7.30pm, venue tbc

Sunday 8 May: Youth Group at 4pm at Alan and Elaine Cordiner's house

Tuesday 10 May: Elders' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

Friday 13 May: Youth Group at 7pm in the Church Hall; Young Adults at 7.30pm at Andrew and Jeanne Ritchie's house

Wednesday 18 May: Deacons' Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

Sunday 22 May: Youth Group after the morning service at Andrew and Jeanne Ritchie's house

Friday 27 May: Youth Group at 7pm at the Duthie Park

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