



# Gilcomston Church

**Sunday 19 February**

***..to the ends of the earth...  
Acts 1:8***

# **Morning Service**

**Growing Christ's Church  
To The Ends Of The Earth**

**Acts 1:1-11**

**Rev Jerry Middleton**

**All people that on earth do dwell  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.  
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell,  
come now before Him and rejoice.**

**Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
without our aid He did us make:  
we are His flock, He doth us feed,  
and for His sheep He doth us take.**

**We'll crowd Thy gates with thankful songs,  
high as the heavens our voices raise;  
and earth, with her ten thousand tongues,  
shall fill Thy courts with sounding praise.**

**Wide as the world is Thy command,  
vast as eternity Thy love;  
firm as a rock Thy truth must stand,  
when rolling years shall cease to move.**

*William Kethe c1593*

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**Prayer**

## Acts I. 1-8

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach <sup>2</sup> until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

## Acts 1. 1-8

<sup>4</sup> On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. <sup>5</sup> For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”  
<sup>6</sup> Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

## Acts 1: 1-8

<sup>7</sup> He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

# Children's Talk

**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,  
bow down before His throne.**

**Our perfect Saviour died for our sin.**

**Hallelujah!**

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

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# Prayer

**Lord we long for You to move in power.  
There's a hunger deep within our hearts  
to see healing in our nation.**

**Send Your Spirit to revive us:**

***Heal our nation! Heal our nation!***

***Heal our nation!***

***Pour out Your Spirit on this land!***

**Lord, we hear Your Spirit coming closer,  
a mighty wave to break upon our land,  
bringing justice and forgiveness,  
God, we cry to You “revive us:”  
*Heal our nation! Heal our nation!*  
*Heal our nation!*  
*Pour out Your Spirit on this land!***

*Trish Morgan, Ray Goudie, Ian Townend and Dave Bankhead*

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**No, not by might nor even power,  
but by Your Spirit, O Lord.  
Healer of hearts, binder of wounds,  
lives that are lost, restore.  
Flow through this land 'til every man  
praises Your name once more.**

*Robin Mark*

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# Prayer

# **Message**

**To The Ends Of The Earth  
Acts 1:1-11**

# Prayer

**O for a thousand tongues, to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honours of Thy Name.**

**Jesus! the Name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health and peace.**

**He speaks, and, listening to His voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.**

**Glory to God, and praise, and love  
be ever, ever given  
be ever, ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the Church in earth and heaven.**

*Charles Wesley 1707-88*

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**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all.  
Amen.**

# **Evening Service**

**Reacting To Wrong  
Romans 12:9-21**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise Him  
for He is your health and salvation!  
Come, all who hear,  
brothers and sisters, draw near,  
praise Him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord,  
above all things so mightily reigning;  
keeping us safe at His side,  
and so gently sustaining.**

**Have you not seen  
all you have needed has been  
met by His gracious ordaining?**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who shall prosper our work and defend us;  
surely His goodness and mercy  
shall daily attend us.**

**Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
who with His love will befriend us.**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who, when darkness and sin  
are abounding,  
who, when the godless are rampant,  
all goodness confounding,  
breaks forth as light,  
scatters the terrors of night,  
saints with His mercy surrounding!**

**Praise to the Lord!**

**O let all that is in me adore Him;  
all that has life and breath,  
come now with praises before Him!**

**Let the 'Amen!'**

**sound from His people again -  
gladly we praise and adore Him.**

*Joachim Neander, Tr. Catherine Winkworth and Percy Dearmer*

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# Prayer

# Romans 12. 9-21

<sup>9</sup> Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.<sup>10</sup> Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. <sup>11</sup> Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

## **Romans 12.9-21**

**<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.**

# Romans 12. 9-21

<sup>19</sup> Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup> On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**King of the universe, Lord of the ages,  
maker of all things, sustainer of life;  
source of authority,  
wise and just creator,  
hope of the nations:  
we praise and adore.**

**Powerful in majesty,  
throned in the heavens  
sun, moon and stars  
by Your word are upheld;  
time and eternity  
bow within Your presence,  
Lord of the nations:  
we praise and adore.**

**Wisdom unsearchable,  
fathomless knowledge  
past understanding by our clever brain;  
ground of reality, basis of all order,  
guide to the nations:  
we praise and adore.**

**Justice and righteousness,  
holy, unswerving  
all that is tainted shall burn in Your flame;  
sword-bearing deity, punisher of evil,  
judge of the nations:  
we praise and adore.**

**Ruler and potentate, sage and lawgiver,  
humbled before You, unworthy we bow:  
in our extremity, show us Your forgiveness,  
merciful Father: we praise and adore.**

*Michael Seward (born 1932)*

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# Prayer

# **Message**

**Reacting To Wrong  
Romans 12:9-21**

# Prayer

**My soul finds rest in God alone,  
my rock and my salvation,  
a fortress strong against my foes,  
and I will not be shaken.**

**Though lips may bless  
and hearts may curse,  
and lies like arrows pierce me,  
I'll fix my heart on righteousness,  
I'll look to Him who hears me.**

***O praise Him, Hallelujah;  
my delight and my reward:  
everlasting, never failing;  
my Redeemer, my God.***

**Find rest my soul in God alone  
amid the world's temptations.  
When evil seeks to take a hold  
I'll cling to my salvation.  
Though riches come and riches go  
don't set your heart upon them.  
The fields of hope in which I sow  
are harvested in heaven.**

***O praise Him, Hallelujah;  
my delight and my reward:  
everlasting, never failing;  
my Redeemer, my God.***

**I'll set my gaze on God alone  
and trust in Him completely.  
With every day pour out my soul  
and He will prove His mercy.  
Though life is but a fleeting breath  
a sigh too brief to measure,  
my King has crushed the curse of death  
and I am His forever.**

***O praise Him, Hallelujah;  
my delight and my reward:  
everlasting, never failing;  
my Redeemer, my God.***

***Aaron Keys & Stuart Townend***

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be with us all.  
Amen.**

# Church Calendar

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