



Gilcomston Church

Sunday 21 May

*..we must go through many hardships to
enter the kingdom of God...
Acts 14:22*

Morning Service

**Growing Christ's Church
Extending The Kingdom
Acts 13: 4-12**

Rev Jerry Middleton

**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! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice;
O Church of Christ, 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! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice;
O Church of Christ, rejoice!***

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Prayer

⁴ The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia and sailed from there to Cyprus. ⁵ When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. John was with them as their helper.

⁶ They traveled through the whole island until they came to Paphos. There they met a Jewish sorcerer and false prophet named Bar-Jesus,

⁷ who was an attendant of the proconsul, Sergius Paulus. The proconsul, an intelligent man, sent for Barnabas and Saul because he wanted to hear the word of God. ⁸ But Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith. ⁹ Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said,

¹⁰ “You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord? ¹¹ Now the hand of the Lord is against you. You are going to be blind for a time, not even able to see the light of the sun.”

Immediately mist and darkness came over him, and he groped about,

Acts 13. 4-12

seeking someone to lead him by the hand. ¹² When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, for he was amazed at the teaching about the Lord.

Children's Talk

**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

**The Saviour died, but rose again
triumphant from the grave;
and pleads our cause at God's right hand,
omnipotent to save.**

**Who then can e'er divide us more
from Jesus and His love,
or break the sacred chain that binds
the earth to heav'n above?**

**Let troubles rise, and terrors frown,
and days of darkness fall;
through Him all dangers we'll defy,
and more than conquer all.**

**Nor death nor life, nor earth nor hell,
nor time's destroying sway,
can e'er efface us from His heart,
or make His love decay.**

**Each future period that will bless,
as it has bless'd the past;
He lov'd us from the first of time,
He loves us to the last.**

Paraphrase 48 v5-9

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Prayer

Message

**Growing Christ's Church
Extending The Kingdom
Acts 12:25 – 14:28**

Prayer

**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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**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

**The Day Of Salvation
Rejoicing In His Love
Isaiah 61:10**

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

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

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

Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

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Prayer

Revelation 21. 1-11

Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people,

Revelation 21. 1-11

and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴ ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Revelation 21. 1-11

⁶ He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. ⁷ Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children. ⁸ But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral,

Revelation 21. 1-11

those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

⁹ One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”

Revelation 21. 1-11

¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. ¹¹ It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

**Jesus, the very thought of You
makes every moment blessed;
but sweeter far Your face to view
and in Your presence rest.**

**No ear can hear, no voice proclaim,
nor can the heart recall
a sweeter sound than Jesus' name,
the Saviour of us all.**

**Hope of each contrite, humble mind,
joy of the poor and meek;
to those who falter, O how kind,
how good to those who seek!**

**But what to those who find? Ah, this
nor tongue nor pen can show!
The love of Jesus – what it is
none but His loved ones know.**

**Jesus, be all our joy below,
as You our prize will be;
Jesus, be all our glory now
and through eternity.**

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Message

**The Day Of Salvation
Rejoicing In His Love
Isaiah 61:10**

Prayer

**How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear!**

**It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds
and drives away our fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole,
and calms each heart oppressed;
it's manna to the hungry soul,
and to the weary rest,
and to the weary rest.**

**Dear name, the rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding place;
my never-failing treasury, filled
with boundless stores of grace!**

**By You my prayers acceptance gain,
although with sin defiled;
Satan accuses me in vain
since I am God's own child
since I am God's own child.**

**Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend,
my Prophet, Priest and King,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.**

**Weak is the effort of my heart,
and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see You as You are,
I'll praise You as I ought
I'll praise You as I ought.**

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the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all.
Amen.**

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