



Gilcomston Church

Sunday 14 January

**... mutually encouraged by each
other's faith...**

Romans 1:12

Morning Service

**The Good Way
Welcome to His world!
Romans 1:8-17
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

Romans 1.8-17

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. ⁹ God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you

Romans 1.8-17

¹⁰ in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

¹¹ I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong—

Romans 1.8-17

¹² that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith. ¹³ I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now)

Romans 1.8-17

in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

¹⁴ I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish.

Romans 1.8-17

¹⁵ That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Romans 1.8-17

17 For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

Children's Talk

**When the Father made us
He knew we'd run from Him
and try to hide our sin.**

**But He wanted to save us,
His own were on His heart
before He made the stars.**

**Oh, oh, no one is good, not even one.
But God can make us daughters,
God can make us sons.
Jesus paid the price
when He offered up His life
so we could be part of God's great family.**

**When the Father draws us
it's like a magnet's pull.**

He's irresistible!

**When the Spirit calls us
He brings the dead to life
He gives the blind new eyes.**

**Oh, oh, no one is good, not even one.
But God can make us daughters,
God can make us sons.
Jesus paid the price
when He offered up His life
so we could be part of God's great family.**

**When He calls, when He draws
we are His forever.**

**He will never let you go,
He will never let you go.**

**When He calls, when He draws
we are His forever.**

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Jon Althoff and Bob Kauflin

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Prayer

**Come, all you vagabonds,
come all you 'don't belongs'
winners and losers,
come, people like me.
Come all you travellers
tired from the journey,
come wait a while, stay a while,
welcomed you'll be.**

**Come all you questioners
looking for answers,
and searching for reasons
and sense in it all;
come all you fallen,
and come all you broken,
find strength for your body
and food for your soul.**

**Come to the feast,
there is room at the table.
Come let us meet in this place.
With the King of all kindness
who welcomes us in,
with the wonder of love,
and the power of grace.**

**Come those who worry
'bout houses and money,
and all those who don't have
a care in the world;
from every station
and orientation,
the helpless, the hopeless,
the young and the old.**

**Come all believers
and dreamers and schemers,
and come all you restless
just searching for home;
movers and shakers
and givers and takers,
the happy, the sad
and the lost and alone.**

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there is room at the table.
Come let us meet in this place.
With the King of all kindness
who welcomes us in,
with the wonder of love,
and the power of grace.**

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Prayer

Welcome to His world!
Romans 1:8-17

Prayer

**You servants of God,
your master proclaim,
and tell out abroad
His wonderful name;
the name all-victorious
of Jesus extol,
His kingdom is glorious,
and rules over all.**

**God rules in the height,
almighty to save –
though hid from our sight,
His presence we have;
the great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation
to Jesus our King.**

**‘Salvation to God
who sits on the throne!’
let all cry aloud,
and honour the Son’;
the praises of Jesus
the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces
and worship the Lamb.**

**Then let us adore
and give Him His right;
all glory and power,
all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing,
with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing
and infinite love.**

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

Shaping The Future
Look to the end of the story
Ruth 4:13-22
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

Ruth 4. 13-22

¹³ So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When he made love to her, the LORD enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son. ¹⁴ The women said to Naomi:

Ruth 4. 13-22

**“Praise be to the LORD, who
this day has not left you
without a guardian-
redeemer. May he become
famous throughout
Israel! ¹⁵ He will renew your
life and sustain you in your
old age.**

Ruth 4. 13-22

For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth.”

¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child in her arms and cared for him. ¹⁷ The women living there said, “Naomi has a son!” And they named him Obed.

Ruth 4. 13-22

**He was the father of
Jesse, the father of David.**

**¹⁸ This, then, is the family line
of Perez:**

**Perez was the father of
Hezron,**

Ruth 4. 13-22

**¹⁹ Hezron the father of Ram,
Ram the father of
Amminadab,**

**²⁰ Amminadab the father of
Nahshon,
Nahshon the father of
Salmon,**

Ruth 4. 13-22

**21 Salmon the father of Boaz,
Boaz the father of Obed,
22 Obed the father of Jesse,
and Jesse the father of David.**

**Spirit Divine, attend our prayers
and make this house Thy home;
descend with all Thy gracious power;
O come, great Spirit, come!**

**Come as the light: to us reveal
our emptiness and woe;
and lead us in those paths of life
where all the righteous go.**

**Come as the fire: and purge our hearts
like sacrificial flame;
let our whole soul an offering be
to our Redeemer's Name.**

**Come as the dew: and sweetly bless
this consecrated hour;
may barrenness rejoice to own
thy fertilizing power.**

**Come as the dove: and spread Thy wings,
the wings of peaceful love;
and let Thy church on earth become
blest as the Church above.**

**Come as the wind, with rushing sound
and Pentecostal grace,
that all of woman born may see
the glory of Thy face.**

**Spirit Divine, attend our prayers;
make a lost world Thy home;
descend with all Thy gracious powers;
O come, great Spirit, come!**

Andrew Reed 1787-1862

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Prayer

Look to the end of the story
Ruth 4:13-22

Prayer

**Lord, who in Thy perfect wisdom
times and seasons dost arrange,
working out Thy changeless purpose
in a world of ceaseless change;
Thou didst form our ancient nation,
guiding it through all the days,
to unfold in it Thy purpose
to Thy glory and Thy praise.**

**To our shores remote, benighted,
barrier of the western waves,
tidings in Thy love Thou sentest
tidings of the cross that saves.
Saints and heroes strove and suffered
here Thy gospel to proclaim;
we, the heirs of their endeavour,
tell the honour of their name.**

**Still Thine ancient purpose standeth
every change and chance above;
still Thine ancient Church remaineth,
witness to Thy changeless love.
Grant us vision, Lord, and courage
to fulfil Thy work begun;
in the Church and in the nation,
King of kings, Thy will be done.**

Timothy Rees, 1874-1939 (altered)

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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.**

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