



Gilcomston Church

Sunday 24 March

**... conduct yourselves in a manner
worthy of the gospel of Christ...**

Philippians 1:27

Morning Service

**The maturity of self-denial
Philippians 1:27-30, 2:19-30
Rev Peter Dickson**

**The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,
O earth, and all you heavens, rejoice;
from world to world the song shall ring:
‘The Lord omnipotent is King!’**

**The Lord is King! Who then shall dare
resist His will, distrust His care
or quarrel with His wise decrees,
or doubt His royal promises?**

**The Lord is King! Child of the dust,
the Judge of all the earth is just;
holy and true are all His ways –
let every creature speak His praise!**

**He reigns! You saints, His praises sing:
your Father reigns, your God is King;
and Christ is seated at His side,
the Man of love, the Crucified.**

**The Lord, one kingdom, all secures:
He reigns, and life and death are yours;
through earth and heaven
one song shall ring:
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'**

Josiah Conder 1789-1855

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Prayer

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

27 Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit,

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

**striving together as one for
the faith of the gospel
28 without being frightened
in any way by those who
oppose you. This is a sign
to them that they will be
destroyed, but that you will
be saved—and that by
God.**

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

29 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him,
30 since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

19 I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. 20 I have no one else like him, who will show genuine concern for your welfare. 21 For everyone looks out for their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

²² But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. ²³ I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me.

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

24 And I am confident in the Lord that I myself will come soon.

25 But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs.

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

²⁶ For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow.

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

28 Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety. 29 So then, welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honour people like him

Philippians 1.27-30, 2.19-30

³⁰ because he almost died for the work of Christ. He risked his life to make up for the help you yourselves could not give me.

Children's Talk

Oh, God He always keeps His promises.

**He said the sons of Abraham
would be more than the grains of sand.**

**And so, His family grew
underneath the Pharaoh's rule.**

Oh, God He always keeps His promises.

**He said the blood upon the door
would keep the Israelites secure.**

**And so, He stayed His hand
and led them to the Promised Land.**

**Our God is good and true,
He cannot lie to me and you.
We can be sure of this:
God always keeps His promises.**

Oh, God He always keeps His promises.

**He gave us laws to be obeyed
and we broke every one He made.**

**But when we ran from Him
God said He'd take care of our sin.**

**Our God is good and true,
He cannot lie to me and you.
We can be sure of this
God always keeps His promises.**

**Oh, God He always keeps His promises.
He said His Son would set us free
through His death at Calvary.
He suffered in our place
and then He rose up from the grave.**

**Our God is good and true,
He cannot lie to me and you.
We can be sure of this:
God always keeps His promises.**

**Our God is good and true,
He cannot lie to me and you.
We can be sure of this,
God always keeps His promises,
God always keeps His promises.**

Bob Kauflin / Jonathan W Althoff

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Prayer

**Ride on, ride on in majesty
as all the crowds 'Hosanna!' cry:
through waving branches slowly ride,
O Saviour, to be crucified.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, Your triumph now begin
with captured death and conquered sin!**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty:
the angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,
the last and fiercest foe defy;
the Father on His sapphire throne
awaits His own anointed Son.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die:
bow Your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, Your power and reign!**

Henry H Milman 1791-1868

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Prayer

The maturity of self-denial
Philippians 1:27-30; 2:19-30

**Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day;
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood.**

**This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath –
we stand forgiven at the cross.**

**Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
crowning Your blood-stained brow.**

**This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath –
we stand forgiven at the cross.**

**Now the daylight flees,
now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
'finished!' the vict'ry cry.**

**This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath –
we stand forgiven at the cross.**

**Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
for through Your suffering I am free.**

**Death is crushed to death,
life is mine to live,
won through Your selfless love.**

**This, the power of the cross:
Son of God – slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

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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 original spring clean

Mark 11:1-18

Rev Jerry Middleton

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the King of Israel,
great David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
His own anointed One.**

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**The company of angels
are praising You on high
and we with all creation
together make reply.**

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**The people of the Hebrews
with palms before You went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before You we present.**

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**To You, before Your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to You, now high exalted,
our melody we raise.**

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**As You received their praises,
accept the prayer we bring,
in every good delighting,
our good and gracious King.**

**All glory, praise and honour
to You, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.**

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Prayer

Mark 11. 1-18

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there,

Mark 11. 1-18

which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

⁴ They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway.

Mark 11. 1-18

As they untied it, ⁵ some people standing there asked, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷ When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it,

Mark 11. 1-18

he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!”

Mark 11. 1-18

**“Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord!”**

**¹⁰ “Blessed is the coming
kingdom of our father
David!”**

**“Hosanna in the highest
heaven!”**

Mark 11. 1-18

¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

¹² The next day as they were leaving Bethany, Jesus was hungry.

Mark 11. 1-18

¹³ Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to find out if it had any fruit. When he reached it, he found nothing but leaves, because it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ Then he said to the tree, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again."

Mark 11. 1-18

And his disciples heard him say it.

¹⁵ On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there.

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He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, ¹⁶ and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts. ¹⁷ And as he taught them, he said,

Mark 11. 1-18

“Is it not written: ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’”

Mark 11. 1-18

18 The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him, for they feared him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.

Prayer

**I see the King of glory,
coming on the clouds with fire.**

**The whole earth shakes,
the whole earth shakes.**

**I see His love and mercy,
washing over all our sin.**

The people sing, the people sing.

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**I see a generation
rising up to take their place,
with selfless faith, with selfless faith.**

**I see a near revival
stirring as we pray and seek.**

**We're on our knees, we're on our knees.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Heal my heart and make it clean.
Open up my eyes to the things unseen.
Show me how to love
like You have loved me.
Break my heart for what breaks Yours.
Ev'rything I am, for Your Kingdom's cause.
As I walk from earth into eternity.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Brooke Ligertwood
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Prayer

The original spring clean
Mark 11:1-18

**Hear the call of the kingdom,
lift your eyes to the King,
let His song rise within you
as a fragrant offering
of how God rich in mercy
came in Christ to redeem
all who trust in His unfailing grace.**

**Hear the call of the Kingdom
to be children of light,
with the mercy of heaven,
the humility of Christ,
walking justly before Him,
loving all that is right,
that the life of Christ may shine through us.**

**King of Heaven we will answer the call,
we will follow bringing hope to the world.**

**Filled with passion,
filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus' name.**

**Hear the call of the Kingdom
to reach out to the lost
with the Father's compassion
in the wonder of the cross,
bringing peace and forgiveness
and a hope yet to come,
let the nations put their trust in Him.**

**King of Heaven we will answer the call,
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