



# Gilcomston Church

# Sunday 25 August

**...that you may declare the praises of Him who  
called you out of darkness into His wonderful  
light...**

**1 Peter 2:9**

# **Morning Service**

**Come and see, go and tell**

**1 Peter 1:22 - 2:11**

**Rev Nathan Owens**

**Come, let us join our cheerful songs  
with angels round the throne;  
ten thousand thousand are their tongues,  
but all their joys are one.**

**'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,  
'to be exalted thus';  
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,  
'for He was slain for us.'**

**Jesus is worthy to receive  
honour and power divine;  
and blessings, more than we can give,  
be, Lord, for ever Thine.**

**Let all that dwell above the sky,  
and air, and earth, and seas,  
conspire to lift Thy glories high,  
and speak Thine endless praise.**

**The whole creation joins in one  
to bless the sacred name  
of Him that sits upon the throne,  
and to adore the Lamb.**

**Isaac Watts 1674 – 1748**

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**Prayer**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. <sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**24 For,**

**“All people are like grass,  
and all their glory is like the  
flowers of the field;  
the grass withers and the  
flowers fall,**

**25 but the word of the Lord  
endures forever.”**

**And this is the word that was  
preached to you.**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**2 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, <sup>3</sup> now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**<sup>4</sup> As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—  
<sup>5</sup> you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**6 For in Scripture it says:  
“See, I lay a stone in Zion,  
a chosen and precious  
cornerstone,  
and the one who trusts in him  
will never be put to shame.”**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**<sup>7</sup> Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,**

**“The stone the builders rejected**

**has become the cornerstone,”**

**<sup>8</sup> and,**

**“A stone that causes people to stumble**

**and a rock that makes them fall.”**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.**

**<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.**

## 1 Peter 1:22 – 2:11

**<sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.**

**<sup>11</sup> Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.**

# Children's Talk

**Be bold, be strong  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**Be bold, be strong  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**I am not afraid, no, no, no.**

**I am not dismayed, not me.**

**For I'm walking in faith and victory.**

**Come on and walk in faith and victory,  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**Be bold, be strong  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**Be bold, be strong  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**I am not afraid, no, no, no.  
I am not dismayed, not me.  
For I'm walking in faith and victory.  
Come on and walk in faith and victory,  
for the Lord your God is with you.**

**Andy Silver**

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# Prayer

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
to receive the food of Your holy word.**

**Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
that the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.**

**Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us  
all Your purposes, for Your glory.**

**Teach us Lord full obedience,  
holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
in the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise  
cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of power that can never fail;  
let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,  
that will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;  
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built  
as You fill the earth with Your glory.**

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**Come and see, go and tell**  
**1 Peter 1:22 - 2:11**

**Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take;  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour,  
Lord and King,  
that all the world  
His worthy praise may sing.**

**Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
He will in grace respond to all who call:  
how shall they call  
if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of His word?**

**Go forth and tell!  
Where still the darkness lies;  
in wealth or want, the sinner surely dies:  
give us, O Lord,  
concern of heart and mind,  
a love like Yours  
which cares for all mankind.**

**Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide;  
share God's good gift  
–let no one be denied;  
live out your life  
as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers  
for His sole glory use.**

**Go forth and tell! O church of God arise.  
Go in the strength  
which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations His great name adore  
and serve Him,  
Lord and King for evermore.**

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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**

**Jesus calls you!**

**1 Samuel 10:1-16**

**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

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

Then Samuel took a flask of olive oil and poured it on Saul's head and kissed him, saying, "Has not the LORD anointed you ruler over his inheritance? <sup>2</sup> When you leave me today, you will meet two men near Rachel's tomb, at Zelzah on the border of Benjamin.

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**They will say to you, 'The donkeys you set out to look for have been found. And now your father has stopped thinking about them and is worried about you. He is asking, "What shall I do about my son?"'**

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**<sup>3</sup> “Then you will go on from there until you reach the great tree of Tabor. Three men going up to worship God at Bethel will meet you there. One will be carrying three young goats, another three loaves of bread, and another a skin of wine.**

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**4 They will greet you and offer you two loaves of bread, which you will accept from them.**

**5 “After that you will go to Gibeah of God, where there is a Philistine outpost. As you approach the town, you will meet a procession of prophets coming down from the high place with lyres,**

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

timbrels, pipes and harps  
being played before them,  
and they will be  
prophesying. <sup>6</sup> The Spirit of  
the LORD will come  
powerfully upon you, and  
you will prophesy with them;  
and you will be changed  
into a different person.

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**7** Once these signs are fulfilled, do whatever your hand finds to do, for God is with you.

**8** “Go down ahead of me to Gilgal. I will surely come down to you to sacrifice burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, but you must wait seven days until I come to you and tell you what you are to do.”

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**9 As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul's heart, and all these signs were fulfilled that day. 10 When he and his servant arrived at Gibeah, a procession of prophets met him; the Spirit of God came powerfully upon him, and he joined in their prophesying.**

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**11 When all those who had formerly known him saw him prophesying with the prophets, they asked each other, “What is this that has happened to the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?”**

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**12** A man who lived there answered, “And who is their father?” So it became a saying: “Is Saul also among the prophets?” **13** After Saul stopped prophesying, he went to the high place.

**14** Now Saul’s uncle asked him and his servant, “Where have you been?”

## **1 Samuel 10. 1-16**

**“Looking for the donkeys,”  
he said. “But when we saw  
they were not to be found,  
we went to Samuel.”**

**<sup>15</sup> Saul’s uncle said, “Tell me  
what Samuel said to you.”**

**<sup>16</sup> Saul replied, “He assured  
us that the donkeys had  
been found.” But he did not  
tell his uncle what Samuel  
had said about the kingship.**

**From heaven You came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, Your glory veiled;  
not to be served but to serve,  
and give Your life that we might live.**

**This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.**

**There in the garden of tears  
my heavy load He chose to bear;  
His heart with sorrow was torn,  
“Yet not My will, but Yours” He said.**

**This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.**

**Come see His hands and His feet,  
the scars that speak of sacrifice,  
hands that flung stars into space  
to cruel nails surrendered.**

**This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.**

**So let us learn how to serve  
and in our lives enthrone Him,  
each other's needs to prefer,  
for it is Christ we're serving.**

**This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.**

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**Jesus calls you**

shaping the future

1 Samuel 10.<sup>1-16</sup>

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