

**Sunday 26 January 2025**

# **Morning Service**

**A taste of heaven**

**Philippians 3:15-4:4**

**Rev Nathan Owens**

**All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
before Him angels fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

**Crown Him, you martyrs of our God,  
who for His justice call.**

**Exalt the one whose path you trod,  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

**Descendants of His chosen race,  
redeemed from Adam's fall,  
hail Him who saves you by His grace,  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

**Sinners, whose love cannot forget  
the bitterness and gall,  
go, spread your trophies at His feet  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

**Let every people, nation, tribe,  
on this terrestrial ball,  
to Him all majesty ascribe  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

**O that in heaven, with glory's throng,  
we at His feet may fall,  
join in the everlasting song  
and crown Him, crown Him,  
crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.**

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**Prayer**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**<sup>15</sup> Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. <sup>16</sup> Only let us hold true to what we have attained.**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**<sup>17</sup> Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup> For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ.**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**<sup>19</sup> Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ,**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**Therefore, my brothers,  
whom I love and long  
for, my joy and crown,  
stand firm thus in the Lord,  
my beloved.**

**<sup>2</sup> I entreat Euodia and I  
entreat Syntyche to agree  
in the Lord.**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**<sup>3</sup> Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have laboured side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.**

## Philippians 3:15-4:4

**<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord  
always; again I will say,  
Rejoice.**

# 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**

**There is one Gospel on which I stand  
for all eternity.**

**It is my story, my Father's plan,  
the Son has rescued me.**

**Oh what a Gospel, oh what a peace,  
my highest joy and my deepest need.**

**Now and forever He is my light,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

**There is one Gospel to which I cling,  
all else I count as loss.**

**For there, where justice and mercy meet  
He saved me on the cross.**

**No more I boast in what I can bring,  
no more I carry the weight of sin  
for He has brought me from death to life,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

**There is one Gospel where hope is found,  
the empty tomb still speaks.  
For death could not keep my Saviour down,  
He lives and I am free.  
Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes,  
my life is His and His hope is mine!  
For He has promised I, too, will rise,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

**And in this Gospel the church is one,  
we do not walk alone.**

**We have His Spirit as we press on  
to lead us safely home.**

**And when in glory still I will sing  
of this old story that rescued me.**

**Praise to my Saviour, the King of life,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

**And when in glory still I will sing  
of this old story that rescued me.  
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life,  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

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**Prayer**

3:15-4:4A

# PHILIPPIANS

A TASTE OF HEAVEN

**Prayer**

**There is a higher throne  
than all this world has known,  
where faithful ones from every tongue  
will one day come.**

**Before the Son we'll stand,  
made faultless through the Lamb;  
believing hearts find promised grace,  
salvation comes.**

**Hear heaven's voices sing,  
their thunderous anthem rings;  
through emerald courts and sapphire skies  
their praises rise.**

**All glory, wisdom, power,  
strength, thanks and honour are  
to God, our King who reigns on high  
for evermore.**

**And there we'll find our home,  
our life before the throne;  
we'll honour Him in perfect song,  
where we belong.**

**He'll wipe each tear stained eye,  
as thirst and hunger die;  
the Lamb becomes our Shepherd King,  
we'll reign with Him.**

**Hear heaven's voices sing,  
their thunderous anthem rings;  
through emerald courts and sapphire skies  
their praises rise.**

**All glory, wisdom, power,  
strength, thanks and honour are  
to God, our King who reigns on high  
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.**



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and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
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Amen.**

# **Evening Service**

**The agony of faith**

**Psalm 10**

**Rev Nathan Owens**

**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not.**

**Thy compassions they fail not,  
as Thou hast been Thou for ever wilt be.**

**Great is Thy faithfulness,  
great is Thy faithfulness;  
morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided,  
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter,  
and spring-time and harvest,  
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.**

**Great is Thy faithfulness,  
great is Thy faithfulness;  
morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided,  
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Pardon for sin, and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside!**

**Great is Thy faithfulness,  
great is Thy faithfulness;  
morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided,  
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Thomas O Chisholm 1866-1923**

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# Prayer

## **Psalm 10**

**Why, O LORD, do you  
stand far away?**

**Why do you hide  
yourself in times of  
trouble?**

**<sup>2</sup> In arrogance the  
wicked hotly pursue the  
poor;**

## **Psalm 10**

**let them be caught in  
the schemes that they  
have devised.**

**<sup>3</sup> For the wicked boasts of  
the desires of his soul,  
and the one greedy for  
gain curses and  
renounces the LORD.**

## **Psalm 10**

**4 In the pride of his face  
the wicked does not  
seek him;  
all his thoughts  
are, "There is no God."**

## **Psalm 10**

**<sup>5</sup> His ways prosper at all times;**

**your judgements are  
on high, out of his sight;  
as for all his foes,  
he puffs at them.**

## **Psalm 10**

**6 He says in his heart, “I shall not be moved; throughout all generations I shall not meet adversity.”**

**7 His mouth is filled with cursing and deceit and oppression; under his tongue are mischief and iniquity.**

## **Psalm 10**

**8 He sits in ambush in the  
villages;**

**in hiding places he  
murders the innocent.  
His eyes stealthily watch  
for the helpless;**

**9 he lurks in ambush  
like a lion in his thicket;  
he lurks that he may  
seize the poor;**

## **Psalm 10**

**he seizes the poor  
when he draws him into  
his net.**

**<sup>10</sup> The helpless are  
crushed, sink down,  
and fall by his might.**

**<sup>11</sup> He says in his heart,  
“God has forgotten,  
he has hidden his face,  
he will never see it.”**

## Psalm 10

**<sup>12</sup> Arise, O LORD; O  
God, lift up your hand;  
forget not the afflicted.**

**<sup>13</sup> Why does the  
wicked renounce God  
and say in his heart,  
“You will not call to  
account”?**

## **Psalm 10**

**<sup>14</sup> But you do see, for  
you note mischief and  
vexation,  
that you may take it  
into your hands;  
to you the helpless  
commits himself;  
you have been the  
helper of the fatherless.**

## **Psalm 10**

**<sup>15</sup> Break the arm of the  
wicked and evildoer;  
call his wickedness to  
account till you find  
none.**

**<sup>16</sup> The LORD is king for ever  
and ever;  
the nations perish from  
his land.**

## **Psalm 10**

**17 O LORD, you hear the  
desire of the afflicted;  
you will strengthen  
their heart; you will  
incline your ear**

## **Psalm 10**

**<sup>18</sup> to do justice to the  
fatherless and the  
oppressed,  
so that man who is of  
the earth may strike  
terror no more.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘Come unto Me and rest:  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon My breast’:  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary and worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting-place,  
and He has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘Behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down and drink, and live’:  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in Him.**

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘I am this dark world’s Light;  
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright’:  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in Him my Star, my Sun;  
and in that light of life I’ll walk,  
till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar, 1808-89

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**Prayer**



# PSALM 10

THE AGONY OF FAITH



# Prayer

**When peace, like a river,  
attendeth my way,  
when sorrows, like sea-billows roll,  
whatever my lot,  
Thou hast taught me to say,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well, with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**Though Satan should buffet,  
though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ hath regarded  
my helpless estate,  
and hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
It is well, with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought! –  
my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more:  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
It is well, with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**For me, be it Christ,  
be it Christ hence to live!  
If Jordan above me shall roll,  
no pang shall be mine,  
for in death as in life,  
Thou wilt whisper Thy peace to my soul.  
It is well, with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**But Lord, 'tis for Thee,  
for Thy coming, we wait;  
the sky, not the grave is our goal;  
O trump of the angel! O voice of the Lord!  
Blessèd hope! Blessèd rest of my soul.  
It is well, with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**Horatio Gates Spafford 1828-88**

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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.**