

Sunday 20 July 2025

Morning Service

The Saviour's name

Matthew 1:18-25

Rev Nathan Owens

**He is born our Lord and Saviour:
He is born, our heavenly King:
give Him honour, give Him glory,
earth rejoice and heaven sing!**

**Born to bring our souls true safety;
born to bring us light and peace;
for our sins to bring forgiveness,
from our guilt to bring release.**

**He who is from everlasting
now becomes the incarnate Word;
He whose name endures for ever
now is born the Son of God:**

**Born to bear our griefs and sorrows,
born to banish hate and strife;
born to bear the sins of many,
born to give eternal life!**

**Hail the Holy One of Israel
chosen heir to David's throne;
hail the brightness of His rising –
to His light the gentiles come:**

**Plunderer of Satan's kingdom,
downfall of his evil power;
rescuer of all His people,
conqueror in death's dark hour.**

**He shall rule with righteous judgement,
and His godly rule extend;
governor among the nations,
His great kingdom has no end:**

**He shall reign, the King of glory,
higher than the kings of earth –
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise we now His holy birth.**

Jimmy Owen

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Prayer

Matthew 1:18-25

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 1:18-25

19 And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. 20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying,

Matthew 1:18-25

“Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

Matthew 1:18-25

22 All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

23 “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

Matthew 1:18-25

²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Children's talk

**Jesus is greater than the greatest heroes,
Jesus is closer than the closest friends,
He came from heaven
and He died to save us,
to show us love that never ends.**

**Son of God,
and the Lord of glory,
He's the light,
follow in His way.
He's the truth
that we can believe in
and He's the life,
He's living today.**

Gill Hutchinson

Prayer

**Jesus is the name we honour,
Jesus is the name we praise,
majestic Name above all other names,
the highest heav'n and earth proclaim
that Jesus is our God.**

**We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.**

**We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.**

**Jesus is the name we worship,
Jesus is the name we trust.
He is the King above all other kings,
let all creation stand and sing
that Jesus is our God.**

**We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.**

**We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.**

**Jesus is the Father's splendour,
Jesus is the Father's joy.
He will return to reign in majesty,
and ev'ry eye at last shall see
that Jesus is our God.**

**We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.
We will glorify, we will lift Him high,
we will give Him honour and praise.**

Phil Lawson-Johnston

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MATTHEW 1:18-25

THE SAVIOUR'S NAME

Prayer

**Joy has dawned upon the world,
promised from creation:
God's salvation now unfurled,
hope for ev'ry nation.
Not with fanfares from above,
not with scenes of glory,
but a humble gift of love:
Jesus born of Mary.**

**Sounds of wonder fill the sky
with the songs of angels,
as the mighty Prince of Life
shelters in a stable.**

**Hands that set each star in place,
shaped the earth in darkness,
cling now to a mother's breast,
vulnerable and helpless.**

**Shepherds bow before the Lamb,
gazing at the glory;
gifts of men from distant lands
prophecy the story.
Gold, a King is born today,
incense, God is with us,
myrrh, His death will make a way,
and by His blood He'll win us.**

**Son of Adam, Son of heaven,
given as a ransom,
reconciling God and man,
Christ our mighty Champion!
What a Saviour, what a Friend,
what a glorious mystery:
once a babe in Bethlehem,
now the Lord of history.**

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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

LSD vs fruit
James 1:1-18
Rev Nathan Owens

**Lord, I come before Your throne of grace;
I find rest in Your presence,
and fullness of joy.**

**In worship and wonder I behold Your face,
singing what a faithful God have I.**

**What a faithful God have I,
what a faithful God.**

**What a faithful God have I,
faithful in ev'ry way.**

**Lord of mercy, You have heard my cry;
through the storm You're the beacon,
my song in the night.**

**In the shelter of Your wings,
hear my heart's reply,
singing what a faithful God have I.**

**What a faithful God have I,
what a faithful God.**

**What a faithful God have I,
faithful in ev'ry way.**

**Lord all sov'reign,
granting peace from heav'n,
let me comfort those who suffer
with the comfort You have giv'n.
I will tell of Your great love
for as long as I live,
singing what a faithful God have I.**

**What a faithful God have I,
what a faithful God.
What a faithful God have I,
faithful in ev'ry way.**

Robert & Dawn Critchley

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Prayer

James 1

**James, a servant of God
and of the Lord Jesus
Christ,
To the twelve tribes in the
Dispersion:
Greetings.
² Count it all joy, my
brothers, when you meet
trials of various kinds,**

James 1

³ for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

⁴ And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1

⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

James 1

6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;

James 1

⁸ he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

**⁹ Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation,
¹⁰ and the rich in his humiliation, because like a flower of the grass he will pass away.**

James 1

¹¹ For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. So also will the rich man fade away in the midst of his pursuits.

James 1

¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

James 1

¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”, for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one.

¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

James 1

¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.

James 1

17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

James 1

18 Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and His righteousness,
and all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.**

**Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find;
knock and the door
shall be opened up to you.
Allelu, alleluia.**

Karen Lafferty

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LSD VS FRUIT

James Chapter 1:1-18



Prayer

**To God be the glory!
Great things He has done;
so loved He the world
that He gave us His Son
who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate
that all may go in.**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father

through Jesus the Son

and give Him the glory;

great things He has done.

**O perfect redemption,
the purchase of blood!**

**To every believer the promise of God:
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus
a pardon receives.**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father

through Jesus the Son

and give Him the glory;

great things He has done.

**Great things He has taught us,
great things He has done,
and great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son:
but purer and higher and greater will be
our joy and our wonder,
when Jesus we see!**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father
through Jesus the Son
and give Him the glory;
great things He has done.**

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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.**