

Sunday 19 February 2023

Welcome to Christ Church Glasgow! We are a new church committed to God, committed to each other and committed to telling the people of Glasgow the good news about Jesus Christ. We are glad you're with us today and would love to get to know you better so please feel free to ask any questions.

Welcome

Call to worship

With so many distractions vying for our attention, this is a time to focus our hearts and minds and prepare to worship God.

Songs

We sing songs to worship God and to encourage one another. If you are not able to join in, please take time to reflect on the God we sing to.

Call to Worship (from Psalm 145)

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

his greatness is unsearchable.

People: One generation shall commend his works to another,

and shall declare his mighty acts.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger,

and abounding in steadfast love.

People: All the Lord's works shall give thanks to him and all his faithful

shall bless him, speaking of the glory of his kingdom

and telling of his power.

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call on him. Let us speak the praise

of the Lord and bless his holy name forever and ever!

Song – To God be the glory

To God be the glory O perfect redemption great things He has done the purchase of blood

So loved He the world To every believer the promise of God that He gave us His Son The vilest offender who truly believes

Who yielded His life That moment from Jesus

an atonement for sin a pardon receives

And opened the life gate Chorus

that all may go in

Praise the Lord praise the Lord

Let the earth hear His voice

Desired the Lord great things He has taught us

Great things He has done

And great our rejoicing

Praise the Lord praise the Lord through Jesus the Son
Let the people rejoice

Come to the Father

But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder our worship

through Jesus the Son when Jesus we see

Give Him the glory great things He has done Chorus

Song – King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope without light Till from Heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes To fulfil the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father Praise the Son Praise the Spirit three in one God of Glory Majesty Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good For the Lamb had conquered death And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint By His blood and in His Name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me

Chorus

Prayer

When we pray we are talking to God. We approach him with reverence and want to give him our adoration, confess our sins and thank him.

The Lord's Prayer

Jesus gave a model prayer (Matthew 6:9-13) to teach us how to pray. We use this prayer corporately each week as a reminder.

Psalms

The Psalms are a collection of songs from the Bible. They can be sung, spoken or prayed. They contain the experience of every human emotion.

Prayer (concluded by the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come,

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory, are yours, now and for ever.

Amen

Psalm 16

Before me constantly I set the LORD alone. Because he is at my right hand I'll not be overthrown.

Therefore my heart is glad; my tongue with joy will sing. My body too will rest secure in hope unwavering.

For you will not allow my soul in death to stay, Nor will you leave your Holy One to see the tomb's decay.

You have made known to me the path of life divine. Bliss shall I know at your right hand; joy from your face will shine

Children leave

The Peace of Christ

In the ancient church, members of the congregation greeted one another with a sign of friendship. In the same way, let us welcome one another.

Prayer for others

Bible reading - Revelation 1:9-20

⁹ I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, ¹¹ which said: 'Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.'

¹² I turned round to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash round his chest. ¹⁴ The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵ His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: 'Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

¹⁹ 'Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. ²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Talk

VICTORY OF THE LAMB: Seeing Jesus

Prayer for others

We pray because we know we can bring our concerns for ourselves, for others, for the world and for the church to God. God cares about the world and all people.

Bible reading

The Bible is the Word of God.
When we read it we are listening to God speaking to us.

Talk

The talk is a time of teaching from the Bible reading. The aim is not just for head information, but heart transformation, as the good news of Jesus Christ is explained and applied to our lives.

Song – Living Hope

How great the chasm
that lay between us
How high the mountain
I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness
Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom
such boundless grace
The God of ages
stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken I am forgiven The King of kings calls me His own Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever Jesus Christ my living hope Hallelujah praise the One who set me free Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe Out of the silence the Roaring Lion Declared the grave has no claim on me Jesus Yours is the victory

Chorus

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

Song - Be Thou my vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me,
save that thou art
Thou my best thought,
in the day or the night
Waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, and I thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance, now and always Thou, and thou only, be first in my heart High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of Heaven, thou bright Heaven's Sun Grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won Heart of my own heart, whatever befall Still be my Vision, O ruler of all

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