## **SUNDAY WORSHIP 11th July 2021**

**The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

**Service in Church at 10:30 am and broadcast live on Facebook**

**and ‘Outreach Radio’ at 10:00 am**

*READ THIS SECTION BEFORE WORSHIP BEGINS:*

*Welcome to our time of worshipping together, but in different places – in Church or at home (either with or without Facebook live streaming).*

*We suggest that you have a Bible by your side to use.*

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*WELCOME & INTRODUCTION:*

* *Let us take this moment to stop whatever else we are doing and thinking about. This is God’s time. Sit comfortably. Picture Jesus with you, sitting alongside you and be still with Him. Know He truly loves and cares for you and He can be trusted.*
* *Now picture our church family all joining you to worship God in this moment in church or in their own homes. Think also about those sharing in this act of worship via the broadcast on ‘outreach radio.’ know that we are worshipping together, even though we can’t see each other.*

*Remember that we are one in the Lord.*

* *If you aren’t following the service on FB, we suggest that, if you are alone, you say the prayers and readings aloud. If you are with others, choose someone to lead and the rest of you join in with the words in bold. on fb, simply join in the words in bold.*

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***THE GREETING***

This is the day that the Lord has made**.**

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

*Chris says some words of welcome and introduction*

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP***

Almighty God we join together to worship you, knowing that you are here, concerned about each one of us,waiting to speak your word,ready to forgive, bless and lead us.

We come in faith: **meet with us now.**

So now we bring you our songs and our reading of your word, our thinking and listening, our praying and praising. We bring the fellowship we share, the dicipleship we offer, the world we belong to, and the lives you have given us.

We come in faith: **meet with us now.**

Open our eyes and our hearts to your presence, and teach us, through all that we do this day, to be your children, your disciples, your Church, your people.

We come in faith: **meet with us now through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***THE OPENING PRAYER*** (based on Psalm 138)

**Faithful God,**

**we come into Your presence with thanksgiving,**

**deeply grateful for the unfailing love and faithfulness**

**You have shown toward us, Your people.**

**When we call out to You, You answer.**

**When we are exhausted, You give us the strength to go on. When we find ourselves in trouble,**

**You are there, standing beside us.**

**And so we come before You gratitude and praise,**

**offering You the worship of our hearts and lives.**

**Open our eyes to see and know You here among us;**

**open our ears to recognize Your voice.**

**And then send us out from here,**

**to live and work in the world as Your faithful disciples.**

**In the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.**

**Amen.**

*Chris Sets the Scene.*

***THE CONFESSION OF SINS***

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed.

Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Loving God, we confess our failure to share the good news of your saving love.

**Forgive us and renew us in discipleship.**

Guiding God, we confess our unwillingness to invest in growth of faith and Christian teaching.

**Forgive us and renew us in our commitment to learning.**

Enriching God, we confess our greed and failure to share our gifts of time, talents and wealth.

**Forgive us and renew us in generosity.**

Compassionate God, we confess our fear, prejudice and hatred which leads to cruelty and injustice.

**Forgive us and renew us in love.**

Creator God, we confess our sins of selfish indifference to the welfare of your creation.

**Forgive us and renew us in caring for our world.**

***THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS***

All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

***WE PRAY TOGETHER THE PRAYER OF THE DAY***

**Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Bible Reading:Please now read or listen to Acts 5:12-42*

*The Sermon – Chris*

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:***

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***THE PRAYERS****:*

Loving God, we give you thanks for our church here, remembering all we have shared together, and looking forward to everything the future still holds. Hear now our prayer for your people in every place. Grant your blessing upon their life and witness, and upon all you have called to service.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

We pray for those involved in mission, either at home or overseas –

evangelists,

preachers,

chaplains,

missionaries,

all those who seek to proclaim the gospel and make known the love of Christ.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

We pray for those who exercise roles of leadership, whether it be over individual fellowships,

Dioceses,

districts,

associations,

denominations,

or ecumenical groups.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

We pray for those who witness to you in their daily life and work, expressing their faith in all kinds of occupations and vocations,

fleshing out the gospel,

putting it into practice,

exploring what it means

in concrete and sometimes difficult situations.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

We pray for those who work for Christian unity, striving to draw your divided Church together,

Breaking down barriers,

And building bridges of trust, respect and co-operation.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

Loving God, guide your people,

Strengthen, equip and inspire each one for service,

And so may we, with them, joyfully serve you, sensitively proclaim you, and faithfully express your love for all.

Build up your Church **and so bring closer your kingdom.**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***WE PRAY TOGETHER: THE LORD’S PRAYER***

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**Thy kingdom come;**

**Thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**ss we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**the power and the glory,**

**for ever and ever.**

**Amen**

***THE CHURCH PRAYER***

**To You God be the glory, great things You have done.**

**So loved You the world that You gave us Your Son,**

**Who Yielded His life an atonement for sin,**

**And opened the life gates that we all might go in.**

**We praise You Lord, we praise You, Lord,**

**We want the whole earth to hear Your voice.**

**We praise You Lord, we praise You, Lord,**

**We, Your people, rejoice.**

**We come to You, Father, through Jesus the Son,**

**we give You the glory,**

**For great things You have done. Amen**

***THE CONCLUSION & DISMISSAL***

It is time to go out and share God’ secret purpose

which has been disclosed in Jesus Christ.

**With God’s help, Amen!**

Share that secret with others by the way you live:

with the words on your lips, by the deeds of your hands,

with the prayers in your minds, and through the love in your hearts. **With God’s help, Amen!**

The grace of Christ will redeem you

the enduring love of God will support you,

the friendship of the Holy Spirit will accompany you,

this day and ever more.

**Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

**SONGS FOR USE AT THE SERVICE**

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**EVERY PROMISE**

From the breaking of the dawn
To the setting of the sun,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
Words of power, strong to save,
That will never pass away,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
For Your covenant is sure,
And on this I am secure,
I can stand on every promise of Your word.

When I stumble and I sin,
Condemnation pressing in,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
You are faithful to forgive,
That in freedom I might live,
So I stand on every promise of Your word.
Guilt to innocence restored:
You remember sins no more!
So I’ll stand on every promise of Your word.

When I’m faced with anguished choice,
I will listen for Your voice,
And I’ll stand on every promise of Your word.
Through this dark and troubled land
You will guide me with your hand
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
And you’ve promised to complete
Every work begun in me,
So I’ll stand on every promise of Your word.

Hope that lifts me from despair,
Love that casts out every fear,
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
Not forsaken, not alone,
For the Comforter has come,
And I stand on every promise of Your word.
Grace sufficient, grace for me,
Grace for all who will believe,
We will stand on every promise of Your word.

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**GO FORTH AND TELL**

**(to the tune Tell Out My Soul)**

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 gifts 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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**GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS**

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 forever 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 springtime 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

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father

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