



## Sunday 14 April 2024

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 (from 1 Chronicles 29)

**Leader:** Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting.

*All: Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power  
and the glory and the majesty and the splendour.*

**Leader:** For everything in heaven and earth is yours.  
Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

*All: Wealth and honour come from you; you are the ruler of all things.*

**Leader:** In your hands are strength and power to exalt  
and give strength to all.

*All: Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name*

#### Song – Behold our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands  
Who has numbered every grain of sand  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice

*Behold our God seated on His throne*

*Come let us adore Him*

*Behold our King nothing can compare*

*Come let us adore Him*

Who has given counsel to the Lord  
Who can question any of His words  
Who can teach the One  
Who knows all things  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

*Behold our God ...*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man  
God eternal humbled to the grave  
Jesus Saviour risen now to reign

*Behold our God ...*

#### 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.

## 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.

## Prayer (with 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.*

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only-begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
was crucified, died, and buried;  
he descended to the dead;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Psalm 103

Praise God, my soul! With all my heart  
Let me exalt his holy name.  
Forget not all his benefits;  
His praise, my soul, in song proclaim.  
The LORD forgives you all your sins,  
And heals your sickness and distress;  
Your life he rescues from the grave,  
And crowns you in his tenderness.  
And crowns you in his tenderness.  
  
He satisfies your deep desires  
From his unending stores of good,  
So that, just like the eagle's strength,  
Your youthful vigour is renewed.

The LORD is known for righteous acts  
And justice to downtrodden ones.  
To Moses he made known his ways,  
His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.  
His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.  
  
The LORD is merciful and kind,  
To anger slow, and full of grace.  
He will not constantly reprove,  
Or in his anger hide his face.  
He does not punish our misdeeds,  
Or give our sins their just reward.  
How great his love—as high as heaven—  
Towards all those who fear the LORD!  
Towards all those who fear the LORD!

## 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.

## 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

*Praise the Father...*

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

*Praise the Father...*

## Bible reading - Acts 11:19-30; 3:1-3

<sup>19</sup> Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed travelled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews. <sup>20</sup> Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. <sup>21</sup> The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.

<sup>22</sup> News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.

<sup>23</sup> When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. <sup>24</sup> He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

<sup>25</sup> Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, <sup>26</sup> and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.

<sup>27</sup> During this time some prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. <sup>28</sup> One of them, named Agabus, stood up and through the Spirit predicted that a severe famine

### Bible reading

The Bible is the Word of God.

When we read it we are listening to God speaking to us.

would spread over the entire Roman world. (This happened during the reign of Claudius.)<sup>29</sup> The disciples, as each one was able, decided to provide help for the brothers and sisters living in Judea.<sup>30</sup> This they did, sending their gift to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

**3**<sup>1</sup> Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul.<sup>2</sup> While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.'<sup>3</sup> So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

### Talk

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH:  
Planting A New Church

### Song – All I have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night  
Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own  
A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first  
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race  
Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state  
And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed  
You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me  
Now all I know is grace

### 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

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ  
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

Now Lord I would be Yours alone  
And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands  
Could never come from me  
O Father use my ransomed life  
In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be  
My only boast is You

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ  
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

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

(All songs – CCL licence: 558295)

### 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.