



Sunday 4 February 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 Psalm 103)

Leader: Praise the LORD, my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

*All: Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits –
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.*

Leader: As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

*All: For he knows how we are formed,
he remembers that we are dust.*

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 (including 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 forever.
Amen.*

Song - My God is all I need / My God is so big

Dark, dark is the valley
Faint, the light at my feet
But whatever may face me
My God is all I need
Bright, bright are the treasures
Life may offer to me
But whatever the pleasure
My God is all I need

*He is my strength when I cannot go on
Peace when all my power is gone
Hope, although the night
is long and deep
He is my song for He has rescued me
Joy, now He has set me free
Praise, praise to my Father be
My God is all I need*

Brief, brief are my days here
Soon my journey complete
But I look to my Saviour
Where God has met my need
Yes, He has met my need

He is my strength ...

My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
The mountains are His,
the valleys are His
The stars are His handiwork too
My God is so big so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
(Repeat)
There's nothing my God cannot do

He is my strength ...

*Praise, praise to my Father be
My God is all I need*

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.

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

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.

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.

Psalm 23

The LORD's my shepherd, I'll not want
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green: He leadeth me
the quiet waters by

My soul He doth restore again
and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness
ev'n for His own name's sake

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale
yet will I fear none ill:
For Thou art with me; and Thy rod
and staff me comfort still

Bible reading – Acts 6:8-7:60

Talk

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH: Something Worth Dying For

Song - Yet not I but through Christ in me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more
for heaven now to give
He is my joy
my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine
I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need His power is displayed
To this I hold
my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won
and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

My table Thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes
My head Thou dost with oil anoint
and my cup overflows

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me
And in God's house forevermore
my dwelling-place shall be

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure
the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled
and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised
to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said
that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete
still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Song - Christ our hope in life and death

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand

O sing hallelujah!

Our hope springs eternal

O sing hallelujah!

Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good God is good
Where is His grace
and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves
that bring us nigh?
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

O sing hallelujah! ...

Unto the grave what will we sing?
Christ He lives Christ He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

O sing hallelujah! ...