



Sunday 19 March 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 (from Psalm 118)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever.

All: *We will give you thanks, for you answered us;
you have become our salvation.
The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes.
The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.*

Leader: The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine on us.

All: *You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever.*

Song – Come praise and glorify

Come praise and glorify our God
The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms
His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight
He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through
His Son eternally

*To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God
Who gives His grace in Christ
In Him our sins are washed away
Redeemed through sacrifice

In Him God has made known to us
The myst'ry of His will
That Christ should be the head of all
His purpose to fulfil

Chorus

Come praise and glorify our God
For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal
The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope
Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise
To God the Three in One

Chorus

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.

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

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

Psalm 93

The LORD is king; his throne endures majestic in his height.

The LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength and might.

The world is founded firm and sure— removed it cannot be.

Your throne is strong, and you are God from all eternity.

The seas, O LORD, have lifted up, they lifted up their voice;

The seas have lifted up their waves and made a mighty noise.

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.

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.

The LORD, enthroned on high, is strong;
more powerful is he
Than thunder of the ocean's waves
or breakers of the sea.

Your royal statutes, LORD, stand firm;
unchanging is your word.

And holiness adorns your house
for endless days, O LORD.

Song – This I believe

Our Father everlasting
The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

Our judge and our defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

Song – Great Big God

*Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
And He holds us in His hands*
He's higher than a skyscraper
And He's deeper than a submarine
He's wider than the universe

Chorus

I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord
*I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

And beyond my wildest dreams
And He's known me and He's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of
God's amazing plan

Chorus

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 2:1-7

2 'To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands. ²I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false.

Bible reading

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

³You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

⁴Yet I hold this against you: you have forsaken the love you had at first. ⁵Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. ⁶But you have this in your favour: you hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

⁷Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

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.

Talk

VICTORY OF THE LAMB: Truth & Love

Song – Build my life

Worthy of ev'ry song
we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise
we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You

*Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love
to those around me*

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Chorus

Song – Love Divine

Love divine all loves excelling
Joy of heaven to earth come down
Fix in us your humble dwelling
All your faithful mercies crown

Jesus you are all compassion
Pure unbounded love impart
Visit us with your salvation
Enter every trembling heart

Come Almighty to deliver
Let us all your grace receive
Suddenly return and never
Never more your temples leave

We would always give you blessing
Serve you as your hosts above
Pray and praise you without ceasing
Glory in your perfect love

Finish then your new creation
Pure and spotless let us be
Let us see your great salvation
Perfect in eternity

Changed from glory into glory
Till in heaven we take our place
There to sing salvation's story
Lost in wonder love and praise

Close

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