



## 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.

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.

### 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.

### **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.<sup>2</sup> I 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.*

<sup>3</sup> You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

<sup>4</sup> Yet I hold this against you: you have forsaken the love you had at first. <sup>5</sup> Consider 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. <sup>6</sup> But you have this in your favour: you hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

<sup>7</sup> Whoever 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

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

*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*

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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