## Sunday 10th May

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Please let us know if you need any help or want us to pray for you.

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## Call to Worship

**Leader:** Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who created us. Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

All: Let us worship the Holy Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us. To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.

# Song: Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

Chorus

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God

Chorus x2
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Only my Holy God!

### Prayer

### Confession & Assurance

As we come to God we ask for forgiveness and remind ourselves that when we do so God promises to listen and respond with grace.

Confession of Sin (Leader): Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance (All): Lord, though our sin and the brokenness of this world have made us weary and brought us low, you have come to us to give us a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. Hallelujah! ( Isaiah 6)

# Bible Reading: Revelation 12

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. 2 She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth. 3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads. 4 Its tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that

it might devour her child the moment he was born. **5** She gave birth to a son, a male child, who 'will rule all the nations with an iron sceptre.' And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne. **6** The woman fled into the wilderness to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days.

7 Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. 8 But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. 9 The great dragon was hurled down – that ancient snake called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

11 They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you!
He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.'

13 When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. 14 The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly

to the place prepared for her in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the snake's reach.

# Lectura Biblica: Apocalipsis 12

#### La mujer y el dragón

Apareció en el cielo una señal maravillosa: una mujer revestida del sol, con la luna debajo de sus pies y con una corona de doce estrellas en la cabeza. 2 Estaba encinta y gritaba por los dolores y angustias del parto. 3 Y apareció en el cielo otra señal: un enorme dragón de color rojo encendido que tenía siete cabezas y diez cuernos, y una diadema en cada cabeza. 4 Con la cola arrastró la tercera parte de las estrellas del cielo y las arrojó sobre la tierra. Cuando la mujer estaba a punto de dar a luz, el dragón se plantó delante de ella para devorar a su hijo tan pronto como naciera. 5 Ella dio a luz un hijo varón que «gobernará a todas las naciones con puño de hierro». Pero su hijo fue arrebatado y llevado hasta Dios, que está en su trono. 6 Y la mujer huyó al desierto, a un lugar que Dios le había preparado para que allí la sustentaran durante mil doscientos sesenta días.

7 Se desató entonces una guerra en el cielo: Miguel y sus ángeles combatieron al dragón; este y sus ángeles, a su vez, les hicieron frente, 8 pero no pudieron vencer, y ya no hubo lugar para ellos en el cielo. 9 Así fue expulsado el gran dragón, aquella serpiente antigua que se llama Diablo y Satanás, y que engaña al mundo entero. Junto con sus ángeles, fue arrojado a la tierra.

**10** Luego oí en el cielo un gran clamor:

«Han llegado ya la salvación y el poder y el reino de nuestro Dios; ha llegado ya la autoridad de su Cristo.

Porque ha sido expulsado el acusador de nuestros hermanos,

el que los acusaba día y noche delante de nuestro Dios.

11 Ellos lo han vencido por medio de la sangre del Cordero y por el mensaje del cual dieron testimonio; no valoraron tanto su vida como para evitar la muerte.
12 Por eso, ¡alégrense, cielos, y ustedes que los habitan!
Pero ¡ay de la tierra y del mar!
El diablo, lleno de furor, ha descendido a ustedes, porque sabe que le queda poco tiempo».

13 Cuando el dragón se vio arrojado a la tierra, persiguió a la mujer que había dado a luz al varón. 14 Pero a la mujer se le dieron las dos alas de la gran águila, para que volara al desierto, al lugar donde sería sustentada durante un tiempo y tiempos y medio tiempo, lejos de la vista de la serpiente.

# Song: Psalm 55

Cast your cares on the LORD And he will sustain you, he will sustain you Cast your cares on the LORD And he will sustain you, he will sustain you. And he will never, never, never let the righteous fall.
Let the righteous fall, no!
And he will never, never, never let the righteous fall.
Let the righteous fall, no!

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### Prayer

### Talk

# Song: O Church Arise

O church, arise and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain; For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given. With shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand against the devil's lies; An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
We know the outcome is secure,

And Christ will have the prize for which He died —
An inheritance of nations.
Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

# Song: 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 will be
Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies
I see
And all I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness

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

#### Chorus

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

#### Chorus

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### Benediction

Lord unto me

## Coming up

At the close of the service this morning your City Group will be meeting online via Zoom. Please contact your City Group leader if you need more info.

**Prayer Meeting** this week is on Monday at 7:30pm via Zoom.

**City Groups** will meet online on their usual day.

On Wednesday the **Women's Bible Study** will meet online on Wednesday at 10.30am - contact Louise MacMillan for more details (<a href="mailto:lmacmillan@live.co.uk">lmacmillan@live.co.uk</a>)

**Book group** will meet next Sunday (17th) at 5pm on Zoom - contact James for more details (<u>ipeglinton@gmail.com</u>)

Please be creative about being in touch with others and find your own ways to connect also.

#### Pastoral Care for the whole Church

We have created a process to make sure everyone connected to Cornerstone is taken care of during this time through the City Group system. Our hope is that a CityGroup leader will be in touch with you at least once a week to check that you are ok and see if you need any kind of support. But please also

be proactive in connecting with your city group leaders and letting them know how you are. Please also feel free contact me, AnnaLauren or Jo at any time if you need help of any kind.

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Neil, AnnaLauren and Jo will be meeting (virtually) together to pray for the Cornerstone congregation this week. Please use the email addresses above to let us know how we can be praying for you specifically.