

Order of Service

7th February 2021

10.00am



Worship led by Rev Dr André Groenewald
Music from Harry Thomson

Welcome:

- To all who are weary and seek rest,
 - To all who mourn and long for comfort,
 - To all who are isolated and want fellowship,
 - To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
 - To all the children,
 - To everyone whom the Lord has called.....
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Please join us for coffee and a chat after our online worship this Sunday.
You supply the coffee, we'll supply the chat!

Join Zoom Meeting

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Welcome and Announcements

Worshipping God Together

Call to worship:

Lift your eyes to gaze on God.

Hear God's Word and receive God's peace.

With all that you have been, all that you are, and all that you hope to be, offer yourself now to God in worship and praise.

I greet you in the Name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Opening prayer and The Lord's Prayer

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

Hymn 553 Just as I am, without one plea

Just as I am, without one plea but that your blood was shed for me,
And that you call us, 'Come to me', O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, you will receive, will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because your promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – your love unknown has broken every barrier down –
Now to be yours, and yours alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love, the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above, - O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliot, 1789-1871

Reflecting on God's Word

Bible Reading Mark 1:29-39

Jesus heals many

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. ³¹ So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

³² That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all who were ill and demon-possessed. ³³ The whole town gathered at the door, ³⁴ and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Jesus prays in a solitary place

³⁵ Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. ³⁶ Simon and his companions went to look for him, ³⁷ and when they found him, they exclaimed: 'Everyone is looking for you!' ³⁸ Jesus replied, 'Let us go somewhere else – to the nearby villages – so that I can preach there also. That is why I have come.' ³⁹ So he travelled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Children's Address

Hymn 694 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I may have the grace to, let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, and companions on the road
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear
I will hold my hand out to you speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping when you laugh I'll laugh with you
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven we shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

Richard Gillard, Kingsway's Thankyou Music

Sermon

Prayer of thanksgiving and for others

Hymn 448 Lord, the light of your love is shining

Lord, the light of your love is shining in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me:

Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;

Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance;

By your blood I may enter your brightness,

search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus shine,.....

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness,

Ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus shine,

Gravitas Records, 1987 Make Way Music

Blessing

Prayer

Our eyes feast on the beauty of the sky and the scenery around us.
Words are not enough to express our heartfelt wonder of the beauty of
creation.

But, thankfully, you know our hearts and our motives.

We don't always understand your motives, Lord,

but then you are God

and who are we to question you when you see the bigger picture?

We thank you, Lord, for the bit we do see and understand.

That we can come to you in order to recharge our batteries.

And that we can come alongside others

in your strength and serve our community

in areas we've been healed in and can relate to.

Thank you, Lord.

Amen.