

Abbotsford Anglican Church St Andrew's

Growing together as followers of Jesus Christ

Sunday 21st June 2020

Service of Word and Prayer Form 3B

Involved: David, Young Lan, Linda, Karen,
Stewart, Minette, Teena, Diane and Rosemary.
(Social distancing practiced)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION - Teena

Welcome to church. My name is Teena Jones, and with me today are our musicians Rosemary, Young Lan, Linda and David. Our Bible readers are Stewart and Minette. Reading prayers is Karen, and bringing us today's Bible teaching later in the service is Trevor.

Please follow along in your Order of Service, or simply listen in and join in with the "Amen".

God's word calls us to "Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing to the glory of his name: give to him glorious praise".
Psalms 66.1,2

Let us begin by doing just that.

10,000 Reasons

Matt Redman

Chorus

**Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul
Worship his holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name.**

**The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again**

**Whatever may pass and whatever lies
before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes.**
Chorus

**You're rich in love and you're slow to anger
Your name is great and your heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.**
Chorus

**And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still, my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then for ever more!**

**Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul
Worship his holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name** (*repeat*)

**Worship your holy name,
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.**
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DRAWING NEAR TO GOD - Teena

We have come together to meet with God and to take our part in the building of his church.

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

Let us acknowledge our failure to serve him as he deserves, and return to the Lord with repentance and faith, praying together,

**Heavenly Father,
you have loved us with an everlasting love,
but we have often gone our own way,
and rejected your will for our lives.**

**We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.
By your Holy Spirit,
enable us to live for you,
and to please you in every way,
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love towards those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. God therefore forgives you in Jesus Christ, who shed his blood for us. **Amen.**

Give praise to the Lord, call on his name.
**Make known among the nations
what he has done.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD - Teena

Heavenly Father,
give us faith to receive your word,
understanding to know what it means,
and the will to put it into practice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 1:1-10 - Stewart

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. ³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night."

And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.
⁶ And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." ⁷ So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. ⁸ God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.
⁹ And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. (NIV)

Mark 4:35-41 - Minette

³⁵ That day when evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him.
³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"
³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.
⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"
⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" (NIV)

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE - Teena

Please stand.

Let us affirm our Faith together...

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created, things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible: all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, and the first born from the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood shed on the cross. Amen.
Colossians 1:15-20 (abbreviated)

PRAYING FOR GOD'S WORLD - Karen

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

You Lord are near to all who call to you, who call to you with sincerity. You supply the needs of all who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.
From Psalm 145:18-19

Let us pray...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as 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.

Lord God, the unfailing helper and guide of those whom you bring up in your steadfast fear and love, keep us, we pray under the protection of your good providence, and give us a continual reverence and love for your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
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FURTHER PRAYER - Karen

Prayer for God's world, his church and for each other.

Speak O Lord
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Speak O Lord as we come to you To receive the food of your holy word Take your truth plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in your likeness That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith Speak O Lord and fulfil in us All your purposes for your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience Holy reverence true humility Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of your purity Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority Words of power that can never fail Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity And by grace we'll stand on your promises And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us Speak O Lord till your church is built And the earth is filled with your glory

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TEACHING THE FAITH – Trevor
“Our King is king over all creation – why fear”

The Offertory Song
O Great God
Bob Kauflin

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart. Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power. Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war. You have loved and purchased me, make me yours for evermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice, did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys. Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your word to me, through the gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.

You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed. O great God of highest heaven, glorify your name through me.

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Sovereign Grace Music

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Diane
Next Sunday – Holy Communion.

GOING OUT TO SERVE - Teena

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**
Romans 15:5-6