

# **Glynde Lutheran Church**

**a multi-cultural community of faith**



**Church@Home**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023**  
**Epiphany 4, Year A**  
**10.30 am Worship Service**

## **SONG: BLESSED BE YOUR NAME**

<https://youtu.be/6LOJxEXXqQ4>

**Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name**

**Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name**

**Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in  
Lord, still I will say**

***Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name***

**Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all that it should be  
Blessed be Your name**

**Blessed be your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain the offering  
Blessed be Your name**

**Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in  
Lord, still I will say**

***Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name***

**You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, blessed be Your name  
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My heart will choose to say  
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**WELCOME  
WE GREET EACH OTHER**

**IN THE NAME...**

**SONG: OUR GOD**

<https://youtu.be/NJpt1hSYf2o>

**Water You turned into wine  
Opened the eyes of the blind  
There's no one like You  
None like You**

**Into the darkness You shine  
Out of the ashes we rise  
There's no one like You  
None like You**

*Chorus 1*

***Our God is greater  
Our God is stronger  
God You are higher than any other  
Our God is healer  
Awesome in power our God our God***

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*Chorus 1*

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Awesome in power our God our God**

*Misc 1*

*(BRIDGE)*

**And if our God is for us  
Then who could ever stop us  
And if our God is with us  
Then what could stand against  
And if our God is for us  
Then who could ever stop us  
And if our God is with us  
Then what could stand against  
(Then) what could stand against**

*Chorus 1*

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## **WE CONFESS, GOD FORGIVES**

**Gracious God and Father, we confess that we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We have not recognised you as the owner and giver of all things.**

**We have not always been content with what you have given us, nor have we been eager to advance the cause of others. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus who gave himself so freely for us.**

**By your Holy Spirit, give us a generous heart and joy in serving our neighbour. Amen.**

Absolution based on Psalm 51:

God has shown mercy to you. He gave His only Son to die for you. God has forgiven your sins. For Jesus' sake, He has washed you clean and made your hearts pure. May God's peace be with you always.

**Amen.**

## **SHORT PRAISE SONG: AT THE CROSS**

<https://youtu.be/xspg7SNxTWA?t=280>

**At the cross I bow my knee,  
Where Your blood was shed for me,  
There's no greater love than this.  
You have overcome the grave,  
Your glory fills the highest place,  
What can separate me now?**

**You tore the veil, You made a way  
When You said that it is done.  
You tore the veil, You made a way  
When You said that it is done.**

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**THEME OF THE DAY:** Matthew 5:1-12  
"Blessed are ..."

**BIBLE READING:** [Matthew 5:1-12](#)

### **CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
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 thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **SONG: CORNERSTONE**

<https://youtu.be/SiFBzVDVgf4>

**My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name**

*(REPEAT)*

*Chorus 1*

**Christ alone**

**Cornerstone**

**Weak made strong in the Saviour's love**

**Through the storm He is Lord**

**Lord of all**

**(He is Lord)**

**(Lord of all)**

**When darkness seems to hide His face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil  
My anchor holds within the veil**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound  
Oh may I then in Him be found  
Dressed in His righteousness alone  
Faultless stand before the throne**

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### **MESSAGE:**

**Matthew 5:1-12**

**“Blessed are ...”**

Jesus works so differently from the world... even so differently from the way many Christians expect, and even differently from the way the church sometimes expects. He seems to bless the

wrong people, and the wrong programmes. He blesses the poor, the hungry, the mourners, the persecuted, whereas he sends the rich away empty and the happy go home downcast. Today we look at the Beatitudes in Matthew 5. But there is another list in Luke 6:20-26, which goes on to say who is not blessed. The truth is that those who look for blessing in the wrong places miss out.

Those who are blessed look to God for blessing and are blessed by God for this life, and even more for the life to come. In an age where we often can't wait for blessing, it is likely that we will miss out altogether. The Psalms keep reminding us to **wait on the Lord**, which doesn't just call for patience, but even more gives us direction to where we should look for blessing.

Jacob can teach us a thing or two about blessing. **I will not let you go unless you bless me.** Genesis 32:26. It is good that worship never finishes before the worshippers have been blessed to go into world to serve the Lord, and blessed to bless others, and to **bless the Lord, O my soul.** A richly blessed week to you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. Amen.



## **SONG: SINKING DEEP**

<https://youtu.be/q8ZBH3mcb-o?t=5>

**Standing here in Your presence  
In a grace so relentless  
I am won by perfect love  
Wrapped within the arms of heaven  
In a peace that lasts forever  
Sinking deep in mercy's sea**

### *Chorus*

**I'm wide awake drawing close  
Stirred by grace and all my heart is Yours  
All fear removed  
I breathe You in I lean into Your love  
Oh Your love**

**When I'm lost You pursue me  
Lift my head to see Your glory  
Lord of all so beautiful  
Here in You I find shelter  
Captivated by the splendour of Your face  
My secret place**

### *Bridge*

**Your love so deep is washing over me  
Your face is all I seek You are my ev'rything  
Jesus Christ You are my one desire  
Lord hear my only cry to know You all my life  
(REPEAT)**

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## **PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

### *Call to prayer*

St Paul reminds us that God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. We come before our Father in our weakness, acknowledging that we are totally dependent on him, seeking his strength and wisdom.

### *The regular response, OR:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

### *Suggested intercessions*

- \* for the poor in spirit
- \* for the pure in heart
- \* for the peacemakers
- \* for the merciful
- \* for all who witness to God's love in Christ

### *Concluding prayer*

Almighty Father, hear our prayer. Since we can do nothing good without you, send us your Spirit so that your purposes may be fulfilled in us, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **BLESSING**

## **SONG: THE STAND**

[https://youtu.be/UbiErL\\_pc8M?t=25](https://youtu.be/UbiErL_pc8M?t=25)

**You stood before creation  
Forever within Your hand  
You spoke all life into motion  
My soul now to stand.**

**You stood before my failure  
And carried the cross for my shame  
My sin weighed upon Your shoulders  
My soul now to stand**

**So what can I say  
And what could I do  
But offer this heart O God  
Completely to You**

**So I'll walk upon salvation  
Your Spirit alive in me  
This life to declare Your promise  
My soul now to stand**

**So what can I say  
And what could I do  
But offer this heart O God  
Completely to You  
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And what could I do  
But offer this heart O God  
Completely to You**

**So I'll stand  
With arms high and heart abandoned  
In awe of the One who gave it all  
I'll stand  
My soul Lord to You surrendered  
All I am is Yours.**

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