

Glynde Lutheran Church

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Church@Home

Sunday 20th November 2022

Last Sunday of Church Year, Year C

9am Traditional worship

HYMN: LH158 JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fCgQ_eZYHEA

**Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.**

**Other refuge have I none:
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee;
Leave, ah, leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of Thy wing.**

**Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in Thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.**

**Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: J B Dykes 1823-1876 (1861)

WELCOME

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

IN THE NAME

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ:

Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

He made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

**Almighty God, merciful Father,
I, a poor helpless sinner,
confess to you all my sins,
and repent of all the evil I have done.**

**I have deeply displeased you
and deserve your punishment
in time and in eternity.**

**But I am sorry for my sins,
and I ask you,
for the sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
to be gracious and merciful to me. Amen.**

I ask each of you in the presence of God who searches the heart:

Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

I do.

Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in his name?

I do.

Do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as in God's presence, and to strive daily to lead a holy life, even as Christ has made you holy?

I do.

Christ gave to his church the authority to forgive the sins of those who repent and believe. Therefore, upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and on behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

Peace be with you.

Amen.

GLORY TO THE FATHER

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forevermore. Amen

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace, among those with whom he is pleased.

We praise you, we bless you,

we worship you, we glorify you,

we give thanks to you for your great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly king,

God, the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ,

O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father,

you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of God the Father;

have mercy on us.

For you alone are holy,

you alone are Lord,

you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

are most high in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Saviour,
you have taught us that those who believe in you
will not be condemned,
but have already passed from death to life.
Give us faith in your forgiveness,
so that we fearlessly wait for the time
when you set us completely free.
For you live and reign
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

THEME OF THE DAY: Revelation 21:1 – 5
“What will heaven be like?”
The Big Questions

BIBLE READINGS

FIRST READING [Jeremiah 23:1 – 6](#)
SECOND READING [Revelation 21:1 – 5](#)

After the reading

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The HALLELUJAH

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel is written in [Luke 23:33 – 43](#)

(after the reading)

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise be to you, O Christ

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: "Heaven is a wonderful place"

- * Do you like taking photos of different people *like Mum or Dad or your brothers or your sisters?* Or do Mum or Dad take all the photos? Do they let you take some photos?

I do! I take lots of photos with my i-pad, and some on my phone (show photos on my phone)

Do you take photos of the places that you go to? What photos have you got of the different places that you've been to?

At home, we have photos of holidays in Australia, like Sydney and Melbourne, and Cairns. And snaps of when we went overseas to New Zealand, and England

- * They didn't have any cameras when Jesus lived on earth. So we don't have any photos to show what he looked like. We have to learn about in the Bible (*hold up The Beginner's Bible*)

- * We haven't any photos of heaven either. We have to learn what it's going to be like, again by reading our Bible (*again hold up The Beginner's Bible*)

Let's listen to what John says in the Bible about what heaven is going to be like.

The story is on page 504 of The Beginner's Bible, and it is found online at: <https://youtu.be/rzl80j7dbbw>

- * Do you think that heaven will be a wonderful place?
You bet! We're going to be there, because we are God's forgiven children; Jesus will be there; and we will see God face to face.

Will there be anything "bad" in heaven?

No! There will be no more evil, no more sickness, and no more death. It will be a wonderful place!!

Let's sing about all this, as we sing, "Heaven is a wonderful place"

CHILDREN'S SONG: Heaven is a wonderful place

<https://youtu.be/69aJWSGHK7Q>

Lyrics:

Heaven is a wonderful place
Filled with glory and grace
I want to see my savior's face
'Cause heaven is a wonderful place
I want to go there *(Repeat)*

Heaven is a wonderful place
Filled with glory and grace
I want to see my Savior's face
'Cause heaven is a wonderful
Heaven is a wonderful
Heaven is a wonderful place

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us* and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic† and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

HYMN: AT512 ALL THINGS NEW

<https://youtu.be/HTIEs2HQtXQ>

**I saw heaven and earth
Brand new heaven and earth,
And I heard a voice say to me:**

**“He will wipe away,
Every tear away,
Every pain away – all things new!”**

***No more sighing, crying, dying
- God himself is here.***

**And he will make his home,
Here with us, his home,
God will make his home with us all.**

***No more sighing, crying, dying
- God himself is here***

**The old has passed away,
Sadness passed away,
Death has passed away –
All things new.**

*Words: Robin Mann, Neal Nuske, Geoff Schirmer, Rev 21: 1 – 5
Music: Robert Schumann 1838 Alt (von fremden Landern und Leuten)*

MESSAGE

**Revelation 21:1 – 5
“What will heaven be like?”
*The Big Questions***

Click [HERE](#) to view the message on YouTube

HYMN: LH494 JERUSALEM THE GOLDEN

<https://youtu.be/6vh5QdbYKX4>

**Jerusalem the golden
With milk and honey blest.
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice oppressed.
I know not, O I know not
What joys await us there,
What radiancy of glory.
What bliss beyond compare.**

**They stand, those halls of Zion.
All jubilant with song.
And bright with many an angel
And all the martyr throng:
The Prince is ever in them.
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessed
Are decked in glorious sheen.**

**There is the throne of David;
And there, from care released.
The shout of them that triumph,
The song of them that feast
And they, who with their leader
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.**

**O sweet and blessed country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country
That eager hearts expect!
In mercy, Jesus, bring us
To that dear land of rest;
Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest.**

*Words: Urbs Sion aurea
From 'De Contemptu Mundi'
Bernard of Cluny (12th century)
Tr John Mason Neale, 1858*

OFFERTORY SONG

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Call to prayer

Our Lord Jesus promised his disciples that he would come again.
Let us pray to him for the church, the world and all in need.

The regular response, OR:

Amen.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Suggested intercessions

- * for the church, the body of Christ
- * for the rulers of the nations, that all good government may be upheld and all tyrannies put down
- * for the earth, that the environment may be protected and released from the destructive burden of human sinfulness
- * for all who suffer, that their hope may be renewed in Christ
- * for all people, that they may come to repentance before facing the eternal judge

Concluding prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Coming One in whom we place all our hope. As you sit enthroned at the right hand of God the Father almighty, receive our prayers and present them to your Father on behalf of the whole world; for with him and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER. (all)

**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

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour,† and give you peace.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

HYMN: LHS807 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

<https://youtu.be/ephp3TVkPVY>

***Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.***

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God:**

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine:**

**All newborn soldiers of the crucified
bear on their brow the seal of him who died:**

**O Lord, once lifted on the tree in pain,
draw all to you, as from the throne you reign:**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the crucified for victory!**

*Words: George William Kitchen 1827-1912
and Michael Robert Newbolt 1874-1956, alt
Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson 1875 – 1947
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