

10am Service – 25 October

Song: *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

Chorus

Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come, just as you are before your God.
Come.

Verse 1

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God.
One day every knee will bow,
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now.

Verse 2

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives,
Willingly our knees will bow,
With all our heart soul mind and strength
We gladly choose You now.

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Call to Worship

We stand before the throne of God
with countless crowds
from every nation and race, tribe and language

**Blessing and glory and wisdom
thanksgiving and honour, power and might
be to our God forever and ever. Amen.**

Confession:

God said, "If my people will humble themselves and pray,
seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I
hear from heaven and forgive their sin and heal their land."
So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing
our sins in penitence and faith.

We have not always worshipped God, our Father.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We have not always followed Jesus Christ our Saviour
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We have not always trusted in the Holy Spirit, our guide.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution:

May the Father forgive you
by the death of His Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit all your days. **Amen.**

Songs: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace -how sweet the sound –
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

God's grace first taught my heart to fear,
his grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through every danger, trial and snare
I have already come;
his grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
my shield and stronghold he shall be
as long as life endures.

And when this earthly life is past,
and mortal cares shall cease,
I shall possess with Christ at last
eternal joy and peace.

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Beautiful One

v1. Wonderful, So wonderful, is Your unfailing love,
Your cross has spoken mercy over me
No eye has seen, no ear has heard,
No heart could fully know,
How glorious, how beautiful you are.

Ch: Beautiful One, I love.
Beautiful One, I adore.
Beautiful One, my soul must sing.

v2: Powerful so powerful, Your glory fills the skies;
Your mighty works displayed for all to see.
The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing,
How marvelous, how wonderful You are.

v3: You've opened my eyes to Your wonders anew.
You captured my heart with this love.
Because nothing on earth is as beautiful as You!

Coda: My soul, my soul must sing,
My soul, my soul must sing,
My soul, my soul must sing, Beautiful One.

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Baptism of Zoe Carstens

Readings: Lev 19:1-2,15-18
1 Thess 2:1-8

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

This is the Gospel of Christ.
Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon

Intercessions

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Our world has been rocked by plague, pestilence, scarcity, divisions, and disasters. But we have not been left unprotected and unarmed. We put on the armour of the Gospel today. The good news of peace gives us the stability we need to stand firm in an hour when everything is shaking.

Heavenly Father, we come boldly before Your throne today, crying out before You with one voice from 180 nations. In the name of Jesus, send a fresh outpouring of Your Holy Spirit to revive Your church and bring about the conversion of many new believers. As we proclaim the Gospel's message to a desperate world, help us to take our stand on its promises and its power.

We take up the shield of faith as we see depression, despair, and defeat piercing the hearts of many. The power of these fiery darts is extinguished through faith in Your promises. The shield of faith is a powerful weapon.

Lord, in the name of Your Son, Jesus, extinguish the pain of despair and depression burning in our hearts and of those we love. As we take our stand against COVID-19, we ask You to eradicate it. We remain shielded by faith in You and your promises. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Collect

**Almighty God,
you teach us in your word
that love is the fulfilment of the law:
grant that we may love you with all our heart
and our neighbour as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This corner-stone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
'Til on that cross, as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on him was laid:
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am his and he is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from his hand.
'Til he returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ, I'll stand!

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Blessing & Dismissal:

The blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
Amen, we go in the name of Christ.