

**St Andrew's and St George's West
Order of Service, 21 August 2022
Joint Service with Greenside Parish Church**

Playing our Part



Gathering music

Welcome

Call to worship

We gather here to worship God

East: With ears ready to listen

West: With hearts and minds open to receive

With voices ready to sing praise

God knows us

East: God guides us

West: God raises us up
God is with us now

We gather together to worship God

East: We come to God who inclines an ear to us

West: We come to God who gives us words to speak

We come to God in reverence and awe

God gives us life

East: God sets us free

West: God speaks a better word

We gather to worship God

Hymn 132 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might ;
thy justice like mountains, high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small ;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all ;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.
- 4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Opening prayer

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 this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Participating in the drama

The sharing of Christ's peace

God makes peace within us.
Let's claim it.

God makes peace between us.
Let's share it.

Let us offer each a sign of Christ's peace.

Hymn CH4 68 O thou my soul, bless God the Lord

Psalm 103

- 1 O thou my soul, bless God the Lord ;
and all that in me is
be stirrèd up his holy name
to magnify and bless.
- 2 Bless, O my soul, the Lord thy God,
and not forgetful be
of all his gracious benefits
he hath bestowed on thee.
- 3 All thine iniquities who doth
most graciously forgive :
who thy diseases all and pains
doth heal, and thee relieve.
- 4 Who doth redeem thy life, that thou
to death mayest not go down ;
who thee with loving-kindness doth
and tender mercies crown :
- 5 Who with abundance of good things
doth satisfy thy mouth ;
so that even as the eagle's age,
renewèd is thy youth.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 58:9-14

- ⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.
If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the LORD honourable;
if you honour it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;
¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the LORD,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Luke 13: 10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Reflection

Hymn 203 When, in our music, God is glorified (vv 1,2,3,5)

- 1 When, in our music, God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried,
Alleluia!
- 2 How often, making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!
- 3 So has the Church, in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,

borne witness to the truth in every tongue :
Alleluia!

- 5 Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always :
Alleluia!

Dedication of Offerings

Prayers of the People

Lord, as we bring our prayers before you
may we also play our part

Hymn 247 Moved by the Gospel, let us move

- 1 Moved by the Gospel, let us move
with every gift and art.
The image of creative love
indwells each human heart.
The Maker calls creation good,
so let us now express
with sound and colour, stone and wood,
the shape of holiness.
- 2 Let weavers form from broken strands
a tapestry of prayer.
Let artists paint with skilful hands
their joy, lament, and care.
Then mime the story: Christ has come.
With reverence dance the word.
With flute and organ, gong and drum
God's praise be ever heard.
- 3 O Spirit, breathe among us here ;
inspire the work we do.
May hands and voices, eye and ear
attest to life made new.
In worship and in daily strife
create among us still.
Great Artist, form our common life
according to your will.

Sending

Blessing

Sending music

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