



Worship for 2nd August

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to our worship on this the 8th Sunday after Trinity. Welcome if you are worshipping with us in our church building, or over Zoom or at home, it is lovely to have you with us as we gather before compassionate God. Our gospel reading today reminds us that, however needy and tired we may feel, God is ready to meet us with love and compassion. We may feel that our resources are weak and inadequate, but if we are willing to offer and share what we have, we will find that God's provision is generous and abundant. Let us take a moment to be still in the presence of God so that we are ready for worship.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The lord be with you **and also with you.**

Let us come together to share in God's love, to lift our hearts and voices in praise and worship, to seek God's blessing with a new and deep experience of God's power and generosity. **Amen**

Hymn: Let all the world in every corner sing

O God, you call us into the covenant you made of old, to be your people, faithful and true; to be witness to the good news of Jesus Christ. Let us come to you now, that we might know of your love, that we might experience your mercy, and share your peace with one another. **Amen**

Prayers of confession

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-5

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is the strength of my life.

The lord is my light and my salvation.

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

The lord is my light and my salvation.

Hymn: What a beautiful name it is

Prayer of adoration

Lord God of compassion and boundless blessings, we are full of amazement that you care for the needs of your people. We worship and adore you for your generosity, your love, and your power. **Amen**

Reading: Matthew 14: 13-21

Talk

I have made a video of the talk.

Creed

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and earth is named.
We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

Hymn: I the lord of sea and sky

Prayers

I have made a video of the prayer.

Let us pray trustfully to the God who loves us.

Loving God, we pray for the work of your church throughout the world, for our Archbishops Justin and Stephen, bishops Rachel and Robert, for all church leaders and congregations. Inspire your people with a vision of your kingdom on earth and give them courage and gifts to work with you to build it up. Filled with your spirit of peace and joy, may we spread your love through all the world. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God may justice and righteousness flourish in this neighbourhood, this country, this world. We pray for all who work for justice and peace, for those who show compassion to others, for those who strive to protect the environment and the vulnerable. We pray for the work of charities both local and international and ask that you bless them with the resources they need to continue their good work. May the nations learn to live in harmony, and all people turn away from war and conflict, in favour of sharing and co-operation. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God we give thank for all those who have fed us and cared for us, who have shown us compassion and love. We pray for our local community, for all homes and families, remembering especially those who have found life particularly difficult and challenging this week. Help us to be channels of your compassion and love and show us ways we can reach out to support and encourage each other. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, give comfort, peace and healing to all who are in any kind of need, sorrow or pain, naming before you any known to us. *Silence.* May they sense your reassuring presence and know that you are with them always. We pray for the work of those who care for the injured, the sick, the dying, fill them with your compassion and love. We pray for all who work in medical research bless their work with your wisdom and insight. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give thanks for the lives of those who have recently died and for all that they meant to their families and friends. In a moment of silence, we name before you any known to us. *Silence.* We pray for all those who are grieving, remembering especially those who are struggling, may they know your compassion, peace and hope. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

In the warmth of God's love, we pray in silence now for our own particular concerns. *Silence.*

Merciful father accept these prayers for the sake of your son our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Lord's prayer

Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.' The peace of the lord be always with you. **and also with you.** Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

I know that we are not together physically today and not able to share the peace in our normal way. However, this does not mean that we are not able to share the peace. Bring to mind members of our church family and as you do wish them God's peace. "..... (the name of a member of our church family) God's peace be with you.

Hymn: Christ be our light

We go out

To a troubled world. **Peace from Christ.**

To a searching world. **Love from Christ.**

To a waiting world. **Hope from Christ**

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you and all those who love this day and always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ Amen**

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