

Café Church 15th May 2022- 5th Sunday of Easter

Welcome and introduction - Past, present and future

**Come, let us praise the name of the Lord, the one whose name is so great,
whose glory is above the earth and the heavens.
Come, let us praise the name of the Lord, who was and is and is to come.
Amen.**

Song: You're the word of God the father

A prayer of confession

³⁴ "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Lord, you gave a commandment to love one another.
You loved your disciples of old; you love us today.
You will continue to love into eternity.

**Help us each day to give life to your words
by sharing and showing your love to one another.
It's not always easy and often we slip up.
Sometimes what we say can be hurtful.
Sometimes what we do can cause pain.**

**We are sorry, Lord, for saying or doing what we shouldn't.
Forgive us, and help us to live out your words in our lives today.
Help us to speak and show your love to one another
and sow it forward into the future.
Amen.**

Praise and thanksgiving:

Psalm 148

¹ Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights above.

² **Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts.**

³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.

⁴ **Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.**

⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for at his command they were created,

⁶ **and he established them for ever and ever—he issued a decree that will never pass away.**

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths,

⁸ **lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding,**

⁹ you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars,

¹⁰ **wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,**

¹¹ kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth,

¹² **young men and women, old men and children.**

¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his splendour is above the earth and the heavens.

¹⁴ **And he has raised up for his people a horn, the praise of all his faithful servants of Israel, the people close to his heart.**

Praise the LORD.

Song: Praise you heavens

Bible reading: Revelation 21:1-6 A New Heaven and a New Earth

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Cafe table talk – A new heaven and earth - reflecting together

Song: All heaven declares

Prayers

The Lord's prayer:

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Notices

Song: There is a higher throne

Closing prayer:

**God, who is Alpha and Omega,
the beginning and the end of all things,
you know our past – the burdens we carry.
We know that you will wipe away every tear
and make all things new –
though we cannot always see the work you are doing,
help us to learn from the past,
live in the present,
and hope for the future.
In all of life's joys and sadnesses,
may we love one another as you love us.**

And the blessing...Amen.