

Morning Worship Sunday 11th May 2025 – 4th Sunday of Easter

We gather to worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We are led in singing

1st time: Cantor. 2nd time: ALL

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FLAMES: Our young people and leaders leave us

Welcome to a calm place

where we put aside our daily cares

Welcome to an honest place

where we wake up to the world's troubles

Welcome to a quiet place

where we sit in solitude for a while

Welcome to a rowdy place

where we open our ears to the world's cries

Welcome to a peaceful place

where we are reminded of what is good

Welcome to an unsettling place

where we see more clearly what is wrong

This is God's world – beautiful

This is God's world – broken

We are here – broken and beautiful

We are here – broken and beautiful

May this be a calm, quiet and peaceful place

May this be an honest, rowdy, and unsettling place

God of the stillness

we settle and wait for You

God of the storm
we hold fast and wait for You
Meet us, greet us
Shake us, remake us
We trust and we tremble
We worry and we hope
There is no place that is not Yours
There is no time that is not Yours

A short time of silence

This is Your place
This is Your time
We are Your people
Carry us today, we pray
Amen.

(Craig Mitchell, Deeper Water)

We sing
LIGHT OF THE WORLD,
You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

*Here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God;
And You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days,
Oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above;
Humbly You came
To the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor.

Chorus

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.
(Repeat)

Chorus

We hear and reflect

Psalm 23

We say sorry

O Lord, You are our shepherd, and yet we want.
We lie down when we could act,
We stir the pot when we could offer peace,
We wander tempting paths instead of following You.
We see courage and comfort in earthly things rather than in You.
We hate our enemies and refuse to break bread with them,
We see scarcity even when You offer us abundance.

We pray for forgiveness, for Your goodness and mercy,
So that we might dwell in You, in Your grace, forever.

Amen.

(Beth Merrill Neel)

A quiet moment for personal reflection

We are forgiven

Friends, hear this good news and accept the grace of God:

**We are forgiven, we are free to go and live in the light of God's love.
In the name of the Father who created us and waits to welcome us
home, in the name of the Son who searches for us, in the name of the
Spirit who brings the healing of forgiveness and calls us to do the
same, we have been set free. Amen**

We sing

FAITHFUL ONE, so unchanging,
Ageless One, You're my Rock of peace.

Lord of all, I depend on You,
I call out to You again and again.
I call out to You again and again.

*You are my rock in times of trouble.
You lift me up when I fall down.
All through the storm
Your love is the anchor,
My hope is in You alone.*

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Ageless One, You're my Rock of peace.
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Chorus x 2

We hear and reflect

Acts 9:36-43

We affirm our faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, using the words of Paul in his letter to the church in Philippi:

Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

**Therefore, God also highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Prayers, ending with The Lord's Prayer:

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.

We welcome back our young people

Spotlight on Tech Desk

Notices

We sing

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN;

To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

We are sent out

May Christ the Good Shepherd, who laid down His life for the sheep,
draw each one of us. and all who hear His voice, to be within the fold;
and the blessing of God Almighty – Creator, Redeemer, and life-giving
Spirit – be with us now and forever. **Amen**

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