



22 May 2022 10am Congregation

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Jenny Atkinson

ONLY A HOLY GOD

 Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him The One and the Only Cry out, sing holy Forever a Holy God Come and worship the Holy God

3. What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

4. Who else could rescue me from my failingWho else would offer His only SonWho else invites me to call Him FatherOnly a Holy GodOnly my Holy God! Chorus x2

City Alight

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father we have gone our own way, not loving you as we ought, nor loving our neighbour as ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed and in what we have failed to do.

We deserve your condemnation. Father, forgive us.

Help us to love you and our neighbour, and to live for your honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Bible Reading - Luke 18:1-8 Greta Archbold

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." ⁴ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."' ⁶ And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Reading - Psalm 146

Diane Speed

Praise the I ORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! ² I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. ³ Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. ⁴ When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. ⁵ Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, ⁶ who made heaven and earth. the sea, and all that is in them: who keeps faith for ever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. ⁹ The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. ¹⁰ The LORD will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the I ORD! Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
And gave me life again.
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness,
And clothed me with His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness
With power upon my heart.

2. My heart is filled with thankfulnessTo Him who walks beside;Who floods my weaknesses with strengthAnd causes fears to fly;Whose every promise is enoughFor every step I take,Sustaining me with arms of loveAnd crowning me with grace.

3. My heart is filled with thankfulnessTo Him who reigns above;Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,Whose every thought is love.For every day I have on earthIs given by the King.So I will give my life, my all,To love and follow Him.

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH, OUR CITY, AND THE WORLD Megan Best

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 forever. Amen.

COMMUNION Prayer of Preparation

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your boundless goodness and mercy. We are not even worthy to eat the crumbs under your table, but you are the same Lord, always rich in mercy. Enable us by faith to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may be cleansed from sin and forever dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

GOING OUT TO SERVE

NOTICES



IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, Your great name we praise.

 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
Your justice like mountains high soaring above,
Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love. 3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small, in all life now living, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree, then wither: but ever unchanged You will be.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,Your angels adore You, all veiling their sight;of all Your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart –take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight what hides You is only the splendour of light; and so let Your glory, Almighty, impart, through Christ in the story, Your Christ to the heart.

Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

Closing Prayer

Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb. Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honour, power and strength, be to our God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE DEATH OF HISTORY BUT The hope of christianity

DR SARAH IRVING-STONEBRAKER St Mark's Annual Lecture

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