

The Lord's Day Morning 7th June 2020

"I will praise you for ever for what you have done; in your name I will hope, for your name is good. I will praise you in the presence of your saints."

(Psalm 52:9)

APPROACH TO GOD

(we are conscious that we are coming into God's presence)

Call to Worship

Praise: Sing Psalms 19: 1-9 https://youtu.be/lw_ps6Xsg9s

- 1 The heav'ns above declare The glory of our God; And what his hands have made The skies proclaim abroad. 2 Day after day they pour forth speech, And night by night their knowledge teach.
- 3 There is no language used Or any spoken word; No sound is made by them And yet their voice is heard. 4 Throughout the world their voice resounds, Their words to earth's remotest bounds.

In heav'n God pitched a tent, A dwelling for the sun, 5 Which like a bridegroom

- comes Or strong man keen to run. 6 Its course from east to west complete—
 There's nothing hidden from its heat.
- 7 The perfect law of God Revives the soul of man; His statutes which are sure Make wise the simple one. 8 The precepts of the LORD are right And fill the heart with great delight.

God's radiant commands Shed light on what we see; 9 The fear of God is pure And lasts eternally. The standards of the LORD express His perfect truth and righteousness.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Affirmation of Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

We Believe that Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

We Believe Jesus Christ is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

THANKSGIVING

(we thank God for his faithfulness to us)

Praise & Offering: My hope is built https://youtu.be/u2jPVdl Bh8

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand – All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found, Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

Refrain

Prayer of Intercession

THE WORD OF GOD

(we hear God's Word read and preached)

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3: 1-17

Foundations of Faith – Q 47, 48

Praise: Speak O Lord https://youtu.be/bPxtry-xNPU

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of your holy word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority. Words of power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, That will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

(we respond to the Word of God)

Prayer

Praise: The Church's one foundation https://youtu.be/w1YBYrJ8Hzg

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is His new creation By water and the Word: From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war, She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest, And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

Benediction

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Prayer Points for the week

Pray for the new Moderator of the General Assembly.

Pray for revival and renewal in the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Pray for the extension of God's Kingdom on this Island.

Pray for Political leaders and those in Authority.

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