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Morning Worship

(Advent Sunday)

28 November 2021

Leader The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Welcome & Notices

Opening Prayer

SONG – You are the King of Glory (Rownhams Praise 145)

You are the King of Glory,
You are the Prince of Peace;
You are the Lord of heaven and earth,
You're the Sun of righteousness.
Angels bow down before you,
Worship and adore, for
You have the words of eternal life,
You are Jesus Christ the Lord.

*Hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna to the King of kings!
Glory in the highest heaven,
For Jesus the Messiah reigns.*

You heal the broken-hearted
You make the blind to see,
You make the lame to walk again,
You set the captives free;
You give us joy and gladness,
Fill our hearts with praise, for
You have the words of eternal life,
You are Jesus Christ the Lord.

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SHORT TALK

Prayer for the children and their leaders as they depart

The Confession (KNEEL/SIT)

Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

**Lord our God,
in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us;
deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

We hear Gods promise of forgiveness

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SONG – What kind of greatness (Source 567)

What kind of greatness can this be,
that chose to be made small?
Exchanging untold majesty
for a world so pitiful.
That God should come as one of us,
I'll never understand.
The more I hear the story told,
the more amazed I am.

*O what else can I do
but kneel and worship you,
and come just as I am,
my whole life an offering.*

The One in whom we live and move
in swaddling clothes lies bound.
The voice that cried, 'Let there be light',
asleep without a sound.
The One who strode among the stars,
and called each one by name,
lies helpless in a mother's arms
and must learn to walk again.

What greater love could he have shown
to shamed humanity,
yet human pride hates to believe
in such deep humility.
But nations now may see his grace
and know that he is near,
when his meek heart, his words, his works
are incarnate in us now.

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THE WORD OF GOD

First Bible Reading – 1 Thessalonians 3:9-end

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. ¹² May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. ¹³ May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

Reader This is the word of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God**

Second Bible reading – Luke 21:25-36

²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶ Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷ At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹ He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰ When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. ³¹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

³² "I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

Reader This is the word of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

SONG: To be in your presence (Source 524)

To be in your presence,
to sit at your feet,
where your love surrounds me,
and makes me complete.

*This is my desire,
O Lord, this is my desire.
This is my desire,
O Lord, this is my desire.*

To rest in your presence,
not rushing away,
to cherish each moment,
here would I stay.

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SONG: Abba Father (Source 1)

Abba, Father, let me be
yours and yours alone.
May my will for ever be
more and more your own.
Never let my heart grow cold,
never let me go.
Abba, Father, let me be
yours and yours alone.

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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;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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

PRAYERS

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

**Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of Your son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen**

A prayer for today

The Lord's Prayer:

Leader Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All **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.**

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SONG – To God be the Glory (S526)

**To God be the glory!
great things he hath done;
so loved he the world
that he gave us his Son;
who yielded his life
an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate
that all may go in.**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
let the earth hear his voice;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father,
through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory;
great things he hath done.**

**O perfect redemption,
the purchase of blood!
to every believer
the promise of God;
the vilest offender
who truly believes
that moment from Jesus
a pardon receives.**

**Great things he hath taught us,
great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher,
and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture,
when Jesus we see.**

Composer Frances Jane van Alstyne

A Blessing

The Grace

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore Amen.

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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