



*Making Disciples who make Jesus known*

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH  
WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE of MORNING WORSHIP  
10.30am 18th July 2021  
Mission Sunday**

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**Church Family News and Baptism Welcome**

We welcome you into the Lord's family.

We are members together of the body of Christ:

We are children of the same heavenly Father;

We are inheritors together of the Kingdom of God.

We welcome you.

Amen.

**The Welcome**

The Lord is hear

His Spirit is with us.

**Opening Prayer**

Holy Spirit, our Comforter, and our Friend, as we gather this morning, let Your power fall on us and change our hearts.

Open heaven wide and bless us, change us, renew us, empower us. We need Your touch again. Fill us afresh as we worship now. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**Song: SB 197 O Lord my God**

O Lord, my God! when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.*

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

*Then sings my soul...*

And when I think of God, His Son not sparing;  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

*Then sings my soul...*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And lead me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow with humble adoration,  
And then proclaim, "My God, how great Thou art!"

*Then sings my soul...*

### A Time to Say Sorry

Let us admit to God the sin which always confronts us.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image, to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Focus on the Hemburys: our CMS Mission partners in Hull

#### Song: SB 163 Jesus is the name we honour

Jesus is the name we honour;  
Jesus is the name we praise.  
Majestic Name above all other names,  
The highest heaven and earth proclaim  
That Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify,  
We will lift Him high,  
We will give Him honour and praise.  
We will glorify,  
We will lift Him high,  
We will give Him honour and praise.*

Jesus is the name we worship;  
Jesus is the name we trust.  
He is the King above all other kings,  
Let all creation stand and sing  
That Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify...*

Jesus is the Father's splendour;  
Jesus is the Father's joy.  
He will return to reign in majesty,  
And every eye at last shall see  
That Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify...*

### Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.  
**Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God,  
but made himself nothing.**

**Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.**

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

5 Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you,<sup>2</sup> for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.<sup>3</sup> While people are saying, 'Peace and safety', destruction will come on them suddenly, as labour pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.  
<sup>4</sup> But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief.<sup>5</sup> You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness.<sup>6</sup> So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober.<sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night.<sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.<sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.<sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him.<sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

This is the word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God

### Interview and Talk

### Prayers of Intercession

## 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

### Song: SB 117 Great is the darkness

Great is the darkness  
That covers the earth  
Oppression, injustice and pain  
Nations are slipping  
In hopeless despair  
Though many have come in Your name  
Watching while sanity dies  
Touched by the madness and lies

*Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus  
Pour out Your spirit we pray  
Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus  
Pour out Your spirit on us today*

May now Your church rise  
With power and love  
This glorious gospel proclaim  
In every nation  
Salvation will come  
To those who believe in Your name  
Help us bring light to this world  
That we might speed Your return

*Come, Lord Jesus...*

Great celebrations  
On that final day  
When out of the heavens You come  
Darkness will vanish  
All sorrow will end  
And rulers will bow at Your throne  
Our great commission complete  
Then face to face we shall meet

*Come, Lord Jesus...*

## Blessing

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