



# Welcome

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**CHURCH ONLINE  
EVERY SUNDAY**

**11.00am  
20<sup>th</sup> September 2020**



**METHODIST  
CENTRAL HALL**



**WESTMINSTER**

**Preacher: Revd. Dr. Howard Mellor  
Honorary Associate Minister**

**Psalm 105:1-8; Matthew 20:1-16**

**‘Generous Grace’**

**INSPIRING SCRIPTURE COUNTDOWN**

**WELCOME TO ONLINE CHURCH**

**LIVE STREAM WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**

Revd Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister  
- (Chapel & Zoom)

**VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP - Blessing in the Chaos**

*Dan Stevers*

**VIDEO SONG - Shout To The Lord**

**STF 363**

My Jesus, my Saviour,  
Lord, there is none like You.  
All of my days I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter,  
Tower of refuge and strength,  
Let every breath, all that I am,  
Never cease to worship You.

*Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing  
Power and majesty, praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down  
And the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the  
Promise I have in You.*

*Darlene Zschech*

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## **OPENING PRAYER - (Zoom)**

Led by Deacon Ali McMillan

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Please join in using your own language or the version you prefer

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **VIDEO CLIP - Puppets 'Hymn and Herl'**

*Charlie & Roz Bushell*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Revd. Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister - **(Chapel)**

## **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 105:1-8 TNIV**

Read by Millicent Baffour-Awuah

Member of our Flower Arranging Team - **(Zoom)**

- <sup>1</sup> Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name;  
make known among the nations what he has done.
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praise to him;  
tell of all his wonderful acts.
- <sup>3</sup> Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- <sup>4</sup> Look to the LORD and his strength;  
seek his face always.

<sup>5</sup> Remember the wonders he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,  
<sup>6</sup> you his servants, the descendants of Abraham,  
his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.  
<sup>7</sup> He is the LORD our God;  
his judgments are in all the earth.  
<sup>8</sup> He remembers his covenant for ever,  
the promise he made, for a thousand generations.

## **VIDEO SONG - Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

### **Christian Life Hymnal 013**

Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy never ceasing  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
seal it for thy courts above.

*Robert Robinson (1735-1790)*

## **GOSPEL LESSON     Matthew 20:1-16     TNIV**

Read by Judith Mitchell, Representative for MCCN,  
Fabric Committee and Holy Communion Team - (Zoom)

## **The parable of the workers in the vineyard**

**20** 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. **2** He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

'About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the market-place doing nothing. **4** He told them, "You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." **5** So they went.

'He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. **6** About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, "Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?" **7** "Because no one has hired us," they answered. 'He said to them, "You also go and work in my vineyard."

**8** 'When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first."

**9** 'The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. **10** So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. **11** When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. **12** "These who were hired last worked only one hour," they said, "and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day."

**13** 'But he answered one of them, "I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? **14** Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you.

**15** Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?"

**16** 'So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

## **VIDEO SONG - Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace — how sweet the sound —  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

God's grace has taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come;  
Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

*John Newton Arr. Paul Leddi*

## **SERMON 'Generous Grace' - (Chapel)**

Rev'd. Dr. Howard Mellor, Honorary Associate Minister

## **VIDEO SONG - Above All**

### **SOF 1151**

Above all powers, above all kings,  
above all nature and all created things;  
above all wisdom and all the ways of man,  
you were here before the world began.  
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,  
above all wonders the world has ever known;  
above all wealth and treasures of the earth,  
there's no way to measure what you're worth.  
Crucified, laid behind the stone;  
you lived to die, rejected and alone;

like a rose, trampled on the ground,  
you took the fall, and thought of me, above all.

*Lenny LeBlanc and Paul Baloche (born 1962)  
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## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - (Zoom)**

Led by Lansford Penn-Timothy, Deputy Superintendent

## **VIDEO GLOBAL GREETINGS**

## **VIDEO HYMN - Blessed Assurance**

### **STF 548**

Blessèd assurance, Jesus is mine:  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation purchase of God;  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood:

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour, all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love:

### *Chorus*

Perfect submission, all is at rest -  
I in my Saviour am happy and blest -  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

### *Chorus*

*Frances Jane van Alstyne (Fanny Crosby) (1820-1915)*

## **OFFER CONTACT EMAIL & HEALING PRAYER TEAM**

Revd. Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister - (Chapel)

## **THE BLESSING - Revd. Tony Miles**

## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY: 'Mendelssohn Fugue'**

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