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EVERY SUNDAY

11.00am

9th May 2021



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ONLINE SERVICE

Led by Revd. Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister, Revd. Lansford Penn-Timothy, Deputy Superintendent Minister, and Deacon Ali McMillan.

Philippians 3:7-11; Matthew 11:25-29

Preacher: Revd. Tony Miles

SPRING GLOW COUNTDOWN & CHURCH BUMPER

LIVE STREAM WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Revd. Tony Miles and Revd. Lansford Penn-Timothy

CALL TO WORSHIP OPENER - Burdens

Twelve Thirty Media

VIDEO SONG – O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

STF 364

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.

Jesus – the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
the humble poor believe.

See all your sins on Jesus laid:
the Lamb of God was slain;
his soul was once an offering made
that all may heaven gain.

In Christ, our Head, you then shall know,
shall feel, your sins forgiven,
anticipate your heaven below,
and own that love is heaven.

Charles Wesley (1707 - 1788)

OPENING PRAYERS

Led by Olubunmi Olayisade
Connexional Africa Partnership Coordinator

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.

PUPPETS - Hymn & Her on Video
Charlie & Ros Bushell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Revd. Tony Miles and Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity

GLOBAL GREETING

Christian Aid

OFFERING PRAYER

Led by Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity

VIDEO HYMN - Jesus Lover Of My Soul

STF 355

Jesu, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high;
hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none,
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah, leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenceless head
with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
more than all in thee I find;
raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am,
thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound,
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity.

Joseph Parry and Charles Wesley

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 3:7-11 TNIV

Read by Paul Moynihan, formerly our Archivist and
Visitor Services Manager at MCHW

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ – the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ – yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

VIDEO SONG - All I Once Held Dear (Knowing You Jesus)

STF 489

All I once held dear,
built my life upon,
all this world reveres,
and wars to own,
all I once thought gain
I have counted loss;
spent and worthless now,
compared to this.

*Knowing you, Jesus,
knowing you,
there is no greater thing.
You're my all, you're the best,
you're my joy, my righteousness,
and I love you, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire
is to know you more,
to be found in you
and known as yours.
To possess by faith
what I could not earn,
all-surpassing gift
of righteousness.

Oh, to know the power
of your risen life,
and to know you in
your sufferings.
To become like you
in your death, my Lord,
so with you to live
and never die.

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GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 11:25-29 TNIV

Read by Chika Unaka, MCHW Christian Aid
Representative

The Father revealed in the Son

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, 'I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ 'All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

SERMON 'Time to party? Or a call to intimate discipleship'?

Revd. Tony Miles

VIDEO HYMN - Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

You call me out upon the waters,
the great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find you in the mystery,
in oceans deep my faith will stand.

*And I will call upon your name,
and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise,
my soul will rest in your embrace,
for I am yours and you are mine.*

Your grace abounds in deepest waters,
your sov'reign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me,
you've never failed and you won't start now.

*And I will call upon your name,
and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in your embrace,
for I am yours and you are mine.*

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,
let me walk upon the waters,
wherever you would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander,
and my faith will be made stronger,
in the presence of my Saviour.

(Repeat twice more)

*And I will call upon your name,
keep my eyes above the waves.
My soul will rest in your embrace,
I am yours and you are mine.*

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by Alison Bryan
Co-ordinator of Healing Ministry

VIDEO HYMN - What Shall I Do My God To Love

H&P 46

What shall I do my God to love,
My loving God to praise?
The length, and breadth, and height to prove,
And depth of sovereign grace?

Thy sovereign grace to all extends,
Immense and unconfined;
From age to age it never ends;
It reaches all mankind.

Throughout the world its breadth is known,
Wide as infinity;
So wide it never passed by one,
Or it had passed by me.

My trespass was grown up to heaven;
But, far above the skies,
In Christ abundantly forgiven,
I see thy mercies rise.

The depth of all-redeeming love
What angel tongue can tell?
O may I to the utmost prove
The gift unspeakable!

Come quickly, gracious Lord, and take
Possession of thine own;
My longing heart vouchsafe to make
Thine everlasting throne.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

CONTACTING THE HEALING PRAYER TEAM

Alison Bryan

THE BLESSING

Led by Revd. Tony Miles

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: 'Jamaican Rumba (Benjamin)'
played at All Souls Langham Place - Gerard Brooks

The **Flowers** are given by **Malathi St. Clair**

'With all my love, remembering my beloved husband Alan St. Clair on his 86th birthday on 13th May 2021'.

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Sunday, 23rd May
11am - Church Online
6pm - 'in-person' Evening Service

Sunday, 27th June
9:30am - Church Online
11am - 'in-person' Morning Worship
(no evening services)

Sunday, 5th Sept
9:30am - Church Online
11am - 'in-person' Morning Worship
6pm - 'in-person' Evening Worship

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