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Morning Worship

Sunday 21st June 2020

11.00am

**Preacher:
Rev'd. Tony Miles**

Luke 15:11-32

'Everlasting Arms'

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INSPIRING SCRIPTURE COUNTDOWN

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LIVE STREAM WELCOME

Revd Tony Miles (Chapel)

CALL TO WORSHIP VIDEO - Sing to the Lord

VIDEO HYMN - When Morning Gilds the Sky

H&P 276

When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

To God, the Word, on high
the hosts of angels cry:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Let mortals, too, upraise
their voice in hymns of praise:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

Let earth's wide circle round
in joyful notes resound:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Let air, and sea, and sky,
from depth to height, reply:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

Be this while life is mine
my canticle divine:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Be this the eternal song,
through all the ages long:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

Anonymous – Tr. Edward Caswall (1814-78)

OPENING PRAYERS

Revd Ruth Gee (via Zoom)

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

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INTERVIEW WITH REVD. LANSFORD PENN-TIMITY

VIDEO HYMN - Father who on man dost shower

H&P 341

Father, who on man dost shower
Gifts of plenty from thy dower,
To thy people give the power
All thy gifts to use aright.

Give pure happiness in leisure,
Temperance in every pleasure,
Wholesome use of earthly treasure,
Bodies clear and spirits bright.

Lift from this and every nation
All that brings us degradation;
Quell the forces of temptation;
Put thine enemies to flight.

Thou who art our captain ever
Lead us on to great endeavour;
May thy church the world deliver,
Give us wisdom, courage, might.

Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 15:11-32 TNIV

Read by Deacon Ali McMillan (via Zoom)

The parable of the lost son

¹¹ Jesus continued: 'There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger one said to his father, "Father, give me my share of the estate." So he divided his property between them. ¹³ 'Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. ¹⁴ After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. ¹⁷ 'When he came to his senses, he said, "How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.” ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father. ‘But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms round him and kissed him. ²¹ ‘The son said to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.”

²² ‘But the father said to his servants, “Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.” So they began to celebrate.

²⁵ ‘Meanwhile, the elder son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ²⁷ “Your brother has come,” he replied, “and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.” ²⁸ ‘The elder brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, “Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!”

³¹ ““My son,” the father said, “you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.””

VIDEO SONG - Good Good Father

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
And You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

You're a good good Father
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

Oh, and I've seen many searching
For answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching
For answers only you provide
'Cause You know just what we need
Before we say a word

You're a good good Father
It's who You are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

'Cause You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways to us

'Cause You ...

Oh, this love so undeniable,
I, I can hardly speak.
Peace so unexplainable,
I, I can hardly think.
As You call me deeper still,
as You call me deeper still,
as You call me deeper still into love, love, love.

You're a good, good Father
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

Anthony Brown and Pat Barrett

SERMON 'Everlasting Arms'

Rev. Tony Miles

VIDEO SONG - Everlasting Arms (Lean Hard)

He lavishes grace as our burdens grow greater;
He sends us more strength as our labours increase.
To added afflictions he offers more mercy;
to multiplied trials he multiplies peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
when our strength has failed and the day is half done;
when we've reached the end of our earthly resources,
our Father's full giving is only begun,
our Father's full giving is only begun.

*So lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms.
Lean hard, lean hard. lean on the everlasting arms,
lean on the everlasting arms.*

His love has no limits, His grace has no measure,
when pow'r has no bound'ry that's known unto men.
For out of his infinite riches in Jesus,
He giveth and giveth and giveth again;
He giveth and giveth and giveth again.

Refrain

You lead me beside still waters, your goodness
restores my soul.
I know that you'll never leave me, I know that you
won't let go.
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restores my soul.
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*So lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms.
Lean hard, lean hard. lean on the everlasting arms,
lean on the everlasting arms, lean on the everlasting
arms.*

*Annie J Flint (1866-1932), Lou Fellingham (born 1974),
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by Dr. Joyce Popoola (via Zoom)

GLOBAL GREETINGS

VIDEO HYMN - See how great a flame aspires

STF 412

See how great a flame aspires,
kindled by a spark of grace!
Jesu's love the nations fires,
sets the kingdoms on a blaze.
To bring fire on earth he came;
kindled in some hearts it is:
O that all might catch the flame,
all partake the glorious bliss!

When he first the work begun,
small and feeble was his day:
now the word does swiftly run,
now it wins its widening way;
more and more it spreads and grows
ever mighty to prevail;
sin's strongholds it now o'erthrows,
shakes the trembling gates of hell.

Heirs of God, your Saviour praise!
He the door has opened wide;
he has given the word of grace,
Jesu's word is glorified;
Jesus, mighty to redeem,
he alone the work has wrought;
worthy is the work of him,
him who spoke a world from nought.

Saw you not the cloud arise,
little as a human hand?
Now it spreads along the skies,
hangs o'er all the thirsty land:
lo, the promise of a shower
drops already from above;
but the Lord will shortly pour
all the Spirit of his love!

Charles Wesley (1707 – 1788)

'THANK YOU' AND THE BLESSING - (Chapel)
Revd Tony Miles

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