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CHURCH ONLINE

11.00am

25th April 2021



ONLINE SERVICE including Celebration of Sierra Leone's 60th Independence Anniversary

Led by Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity, Deputy Superintendent Minister & Deacon Ali McMillan

Ezekiel 34:1-12; John 10:11-18

Preacher: Revd. Gordon Newton

Associate Minister

SPRING GLOW COUNTDOWN & ONLINE CHURCH BUMPER

LIVE STREAM WELCOME & INTRODUCTION Deacon Ali McMillan

VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 23 (The Lord Is My Shepherd)
by Church Fuel

VIDEO SONG - Great Is Thy Faithfulness STF 51

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not, as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided –
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Chorus

Thomas O Chisholm (1866-1960)

OPENING PRAYERS

Led by Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity Deputy Superintendent Minister

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

VIDEO SONG - Waymaker

You are here, moving in our midst; I worship you, I worship you. You are here, working in this place; I worship you, I worship you. You are here, touching ev'ry heart

I worship you, I worship you. You are here, healing ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you.

You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness, my God, that is who you are. You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness, my God, that is who you are.

You are here, touching ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, healing ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, touching ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, healing ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, touching ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, healing eviry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, touching ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you. You are here, healing ev'ry heart I worship you, I worship you.

Refrain

You are here, turning lives around; I worship you, I worship you. You are here, mending evry heart; I worship you. I worship you. You are here, turning lives around; I worship you, I worship you. You are here, mending evry heart; I worship you, I worship you.

Refrain

That is who you are. That is who you are. That is who you are. That is who you are.

Even when I don't see it, you're working. Even when I don't feel it, you're working. You never stop, you never stop working. You never stop, you never stop working. (x4)

Refrain

That is who you are. That is who you are.

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacon Ali McMillan and Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity

VIDEO - CELEBRATING SIERRA LEONE'S 60TH INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY FROM THE SIERRA LEONEAN & THE GAMBIAN FELLOWSHIP

GLOBAL GREETING from Sierra Leone

OFFERING PRAYER

Led by Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ezekiel 34:1-12 NIV Read by Cecilia Achila, JC Live Teacher & Member at MCHW

34 The word of the LORD came to me: ² "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says:

Woe to you shepherds of Israel who only take care of yourselves! Should not shepherds take care of the flock? ³ You eat the curds, clothe yourselves with the wool and slaughter the choice animals, but you do not take care of the flock. ⁴ You have not strengthened the weak or healed the sick or bound up the injured. You have not brought back the strays or searched for the lost. You have ruled them harshly and brutally. ⁵ So they were scattered because there was no shepherd, and when they were scattered they became food for all the wild animals. ⁶ My sheep wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. They were scattered over the whole earth, and no one searched

or looked for them. ⁷ "'Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD: ⁸ As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, because my flock lacks a shepherd and so has been plundered and has become food for all the wild animals, and because my shepherds did not search for my flock but cared for themselves rather than for my flock, ⁹ therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD:

¹⁰ This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I am against the shepherds and will hold them accountable for my flock. I will remove them from tending the flock so that the shepherds can no longer feed themselves. I will rescue my flock from their mouths, and it will no longer be food for them.

¹¹ "For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. ¹² As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness.

GOSPEL LESSON John 10:11-18 NIV Read by Maricar Wallang, Member at MCHW

¹¹ Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep

pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

This is the word of the Lord.

VIDEO HYMN - The Lord's My Shepherd I'll Not Want STF 481

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone. And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

(Descant)
I will trust, I will trust in You.
I will trust, I will trust in You.
Endless mercy follows me,
Goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights.

Refrain

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know.

Refrain

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SERMON 'Jesus the Good Shepherd of All' Revd. Gordon Newton Associate Minister

VIDEO HYMN - Give Me The Faith Which Can Remove STF 661

Give me the faith which can remove and sink the mountain to a plain; give me the childlike praying love, which longs to build thy house again; thy love, let it my heart o'erpower, and all my simple soul devour.

I would the precious time redeem, and longer live for this alone: to spend, and to be spent, for them who have not yet my Saviour known; fully on these my mission prove, and only breathe, to breathe thy love.

My talents, gifts, and graces, Lord, into thy blessèd hands receive; and let me live to preach thy word, and let me to thy glory live; my every sacred moment spend in publishing the sinners' friend.

Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart with boundless charity divine: so shall I all my strength exert, and love them with a zeal like thine; and lead them to thy open side, the sheep for whom their Shepherd died.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by Gary Hopkins Connexional Ministry Development Officer VIDEO HYMN - To God Be The Glory

STF 94

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, Who yielded his life in 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 has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, To every believer the promise of God! And every offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives:

Great things he has taught us, great things he has 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:

Chorus

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

CONTACTING THE HEALING PRAYER TEAM Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity

THE BLESSING

Led by Revd. Gordon Newton

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: 'Parade of the Tin Soldiers (Leon Jessel) played at MCHW' - Gerard Brooks

The Flowers are given by The Sierra Leonean and The Gambian Fellowship on the occasion of Sierra Leone's 60th Independence Anniversary

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