

Lord's Day worship: Sunday 6 June 2021

Before we join together: a children's song and a hymn to sing – to help us prepare

"What is grace?" -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zb3PIf26M0k&list=PLM1WI55UUJ7SLHpKdF8NgKE5NU6x1h8wu&index=19>

"My soul finds rest in God alone" - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1JYrMUe_n8

Welcome and call to worship

*"Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?" (Exodus 15:11)*

*"You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode." (Exodus 15:13)*

*"Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!" (Psalm 95:6)*

Song: Holy holy holy

Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God almighty
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty
God in three persons,
blessed Trinity

2. Holy, holy, holy,
All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea,
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be

3. Holy, holy, holy,
though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy,
there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power
and love and purity

4. Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth, and sky, and sea
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty
God in three persons,
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Confessing our sins and seeking the assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Congregational Bible reading: Psalm 119:1-8

Prayers of intercession

Song: I was an orphan lost at the fall

I was an orphan lost at the fall
Running away when I'd hear you call
But Father, you worked your will
I had no righteousness of my own
I had no right to draw near your throne
But Father you loved me still

*And in love before you laid the world's foundation
You predestined to adopt me as your own
You have raised me up so high above my station
I'm a child of God by grace and grace alone.*

You left your home to seek out the lost
You knew the great and terrible cost
But Jesus your face was set
I worked my fingers down to the bone
But nothing I did could ever atone
But Jesus you paid my debt

*By your blood I have redemption and salvation
Lord, you died that I might reap what you have sown
And you rose that I might be a new creation
I am born again by grace and grace alone*

I was in darkness all of my life
I never knew the day from the night
But Spirit you made me see
I swore I knew the way on my own
Head full of rocks a heart made of stone
But Spirit you moved in me

*And at your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened
On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone
Called into a kingdom that cannot be shaken
Heaven's citizen by grace and grace alone*

*So I'll stand in faith by grace and grace alone
I will run the race by grace and grace alone
I will slay my sins by grace and grace alone
I will reach the end by grace and grace alone*

Bible reading and sermon – Leviticus 1:1-2

Introduction

Longing to come in? (Psalms 24:3-4, 26:8, 27:4, 84:1-4)

Leviticus?...

1. God has built a house: the “Tabernacle”

2. God’s house looks like His Holy Mountain

Exodus 24:1-18 (and Genesis 1-3)

3. God’s dwelling place must become God’s meeting place

Problem = Exodus 40:35

Solution = Leviticus 1:1-2

The tabernacle “worked”! See Leviticus 9:22-24

The true tabernacle is Jesus! John 1:14

Jesus brings us in! Leviticus 24:1-9, Numbers 6:22-27

Song: How lovely is your dwelling-place (Psalm 84)

How lovely is your dwelling-place,
O Lord of hosts, to me;
my thirsting soul longs eagerly
within your courts to be.

2. Beside your altars, Lord of all,
the swallows find a nest;
happy are those who dwell with you
and praise you without rest;

3. And happy those whose hearts are set
upon the pilgrim ways:
you are the water when they thirst,
their guide towards your face.

4. How blest are they that in your house
for ever give you praise:
one day with you is better spent
than thousands in dark ways.

5. For God the Lord's a sun and shield:
he'll grace and glory give;
And will withhold no good from them
that uprightly do live.

6. By you that are the Lord of hosts,
a man is truly blest;
Who trusts and looks to you for strength,
and finds in you his rest.

The Lord's Supper

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Song: Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us - and we remember
The promise made
That all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal,
The death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

3. The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup
That all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow
In the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King