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St. Michael's Church, Galleywood

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**Service sheet for Sunday 22 October at 10am**

**The Power of the Gospel,**

**Leader: Jane. Preacher: Travers. Music: Paul B,**

**Welcome**

**Romans 1: 16**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

**Hymns**

**MP 843**

**He is the Lord, and He reigns on high**

**He is the Lord**

**Spoke into the darkness, created the light**

**He is the Lord**

**Who is like unto Him, never ending in days**

**He is the Lord**

**And He comes in power when we call on His name**

**He is the Lord**

***Show Your power, oh Lord our God***

***Show Your power, oh Lord our God, our God***

**Your gospel oh Lord is the hope for our nation**

**You are the Lord**

**It's the power of God for our salvation**

**You are the Lord**

**We ask not for riches, but look to the cross**

**You are the Lord  
And for our inheritance give us the lost  
You are the Lord**

***Send Your power, oh Lord our God  
Send Your power, oh Lord our God, our God***

**Kevin Prosch**

**MP1102**

**Praise Him, you heavens and all that's above  
Praise Him you angels and heavenly hosts  
Let the whole earth praise Him.  
Praise Him the sun, moon and bright shining stars.  
Praise Him you heavens and waters and skies  
Let the whole earth  
Praise Him**

***Great in power, great in glory  
Great in mercy, King of Heaven  
Great in battle, great in wonder  
Great in Zion ,King over all the earth.***

**Russell Fragar**

**MP944**

**There is power in the Name of Jesus  
We believe in His name.  
We have called on the name of Jesus;  
We are saved! We are saved!  
At His name the demons flee.  
At His name captives are freed.  
For there is no other name that is higher  
Than Jesus!**

**There is power in the name of Jesus,  
Like a sword in our hands.  
We declare in the name of Jesus,  
We shall stand! We shall stand!  
At His name God's enemies  
Shall be crushed beneath our feet.**

**For there is no other name that is higher  
Than Jesus!**

Noel Richards

**Confession and assurance of forgiveness**

**God of mercy,  
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.  
We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done,  
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.  
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,  
forgive us for all that is past,  
and help us to live each day  
in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lord enrich us with His grace,  
And nourish us with His blessing;  
The Lord defend us in trouble and keep us from all evil;  
And we have the promise that if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Amen

**Collect**

**Prayer for Sonlight**

**Mission slot. IMJP. Jane**

**Hymn MP1002**

**Love songs from heaven are filling the earth,  
Bringing great hope to all nations.  
Evil has prospered, but truth is alive;  
In this dark world the light still shines.**

**Nothing has silenced this gospel of Christ;  
It echoes down through the ages.  
Blood of the martyrs has made Your church strong;  
In this dark world the light still shines.**

***For You we live,  
And for You we may die;***

*Through us may Jesus be seen.  
For You alone we will offer our lives;  
In this dark world our light will shine.*

**Let every nation be filled with Your song:  
This is the cry of Your people.  
We will not settle for anything less,**

**In this dark world our light must shine.**

***For You we live ...***

**Noel and Tricia Richards**

**Readings. Wendy**

**1 Thess.1: 1-10**

**1** Paul, Silas<sup>(a)</sup> and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you.

**Thanksgiving for the Thessalonians' faith**

<sup>2</sup>We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. <sup>3</sup>We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters<sup>(a)</sup> loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. <sup>7</sup>And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. <sup>8</sup>The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia – your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, <sup>9</sup>for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead – Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

**Matthew 22: 15-22**

**Paying the poll-tax to Caesar**

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. <sup>16</sup>They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. 'Teacher,' they said, 'we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. <sup>17</sup>Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the poll-tax<sup>(a)</sup> to Caesar or not?'

<sup>18</sup> But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, 'You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for paying the tax.' They brought him a denarius, <sup>20</sup> and he asked them, 'Whose image is this? And whose inscription?'

<sup>21</sup> 'Caesar's,' they replied.

Then he said to them, 'So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's.'

<sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

### **Sermon Travers**

#### **Hymn MP 835**

**Great is the darkness  
That covers the earth  
Oppression, injustice and pain  
Nations are slipping  
In hopeless despair  
Though many have come in Your name  
Watching while sanity dies  
Touched by the madness and lies**

*Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus  
Pour out Your spirit we pray  
Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus  
Pour out Your spirit on us today*

**May now Your church rise  
With power and love  
This glorious gospel proclaim  
In every nation  
Salvation will come  
To those who believe in Your name  
Help us bring light to the world  
That we might speed Your return**

*Come Lord Jesus ...*

**Great celebrations  
On that final day  
When out of the heavens You come  
Darkness will vanish**

All sorrow will end  
And rulers will bow at Your throne  
Our great commission complete  
Then face to face we shall meet

*Chorus*

Gerald Coates and Noel Richards

Let us declare our faith in God

We believe in God the Father,  
From whom every family  
In heaven and on earth is named,

We believe in God the Son,  
Who lives in our hearts through faith,  
And fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
Who strengthens us  
With power from on high.

We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen

Prayers: Barbara  
Thanksgiving for our offering

The Lord's prayer  
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.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

## **Banns, notices and family news**

**MP 481**

**Name of all majesty,  
fathomless mystery,  
King of the ages  
by angels adored;  
power and authority,  
splendour and dignity,  
bow to his mastery,  
Jesus is Lord!**

**Child of our destiny,  
God from eternity,  
love of the Father  
on sinners outpoured;  
see now what God has done  
sending his only Son,  
Christ the beloved One,  
Jesus is Lord!**

**Saviour of Calvary,  
costliest victory,  
darkness defeated  
and Eden restored;  
born as a man to die,  
nailed to a cross on high,  
cold in the grave to lie,  
Jesus is Lord!**

**Source of all sovereignty,  
light, immortality,  
life everlasting  
and heaven assured;  
so with the ransomed, we  
praise him eternally,  
Christ in his majesty,  
Jesus is Lord!**

Timothy Dudley Smith

**Closing prayer**

**To him who is able to keep us from stumbling and to present us before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy – to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and for evermore! Amen.**

**From Jude 1:24/25**

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