

## **St Michael's and All Angels, Galleywood**

### **Service of the Word**

**November 26<sup>th</sup> 2023 – Christ the King!**

#### **Welcome and Introduction**

#### **MP560: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven**

Praise my soul, the King of heaven;  
To his feet thy tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like thee his praise should sing?  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress;  
Praise him, still the same forever,  
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame he knows;  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore him;  
Ye behold him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him,  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise with us the God of grace!

*Henry Lyte*

## **MP650: The King is Among Us**

The King is among us,  
His Spirit is here,  
Let's draw near and worship,  
Let songs fill the air.

He looks down upon us,  
Delight in His face,  
Enjoying His children's love,  
Enthralled by our praise.

For each child is special,  
Accepted and loved,  
A love gift from Jesus  
To His Father above.

And now He is giving  
His gifts to us all,  
For no-one is worthless  
And each one is called.

The Spirit's anointing  
On all flesh comes down,  
And we shall be channels  
For works like His own.

We come now believing  
Your promise of power,  
For we are Your people  
And this is Your hour.

*Graham Kendrick*

## **MP1000: King of Kings, Majesty**

King of kings, Majesty,  
God of heaven living in me.  
Gentle Saviour, closest Friend,  
Strong Deliverer, Beginning and End:  
All within me falls at your throne.

*Your majesty, I can but bow;  
I lay my all before you now.  
In royal robes I don't deserve,  
I live to serve your majesty.*

Earth and heaven worship you,  
Love eternal, faithful and true,  
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls,  
Brought this sinner near to your throne:  
All within me cries out in praise.

*Jarrod Cooper*

## **Confession**

O King enthroned on high, filling the earth with your glory:  
Holy is your name, Lord God almighty.  
In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away,  
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **Absolution**

Almighty God, Who in Jesus Christ has given us  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins,  
open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will  
and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:

Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at His feet;

Who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Prayer for SONlight

### Mission Update – Leprosy Mission – Pam

### MP1126: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God:  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were an offering far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

*Isaac Watts*

## Readings – Janette

### **Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24. The Sovereign Lord is Shepherd**

For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: “I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. <sup>14</sup> I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down”, declares the Sovereign Lord. <sup>16</sup> “I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.”

Therefore, this is what the Sovereign Lord says to them: “See, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, <sup>22</sup> I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another. <sup>23</sup> I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the Lord have spoken.”

### **Matthew 25:31 – 46. The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats**

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

<sup>34</sup> Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

<sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?’ <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

<sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

<sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

<sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

<sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon – David**

**MP41: At the Name of Jesus**

At the name of Jesus,  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess him  
King of glory now;  
'Tis the Father's pleasure  
We should call him Lord,  
Who from the beginning  
Was the mighty Word.

Mighty and mysterious  
In the highest height,  
God from everlasting,  
Very Light of light.  
In the Father's bosom,  
With the spirits blest,  
Love, in love eternal,  
Rest, in perfect rest.

Humbled for a season,  
To receive a name  
From the lips of sinners  
Unto whom He came;  
Faithfully He bore it  
Spotless to the last,  
Brought it back victorious,  
When from death He passed.

Bore it up triumphant  
With its human light,  
Through all ranks of creatures  
To the central height,  
To the throne of Godhead,  
To the Father's breast,  
Filled it with the glory  
Of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him;  
There let him subdue  
All that is not holy,  
All that is not true;  
Crown him as your Captain  
In temptation's hour,  
Let his will enfold you  
In its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus  
Shall return again,  
With his Father's glory,  
With his angel-train;  
For all wreaths of empire  
Meet upon his brow,  
And our hearts confess him  
King of glory now.

*Caroline Noel*

## **Thanksgiving for Offerings**

## **Affirmation of Faith**

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,  
he did not cling to equality with God,  
but made himself nothing.  
Taking the form of a slave,  
he was born in human likeness.  
He humbled himself and was obedient to death,  
even the death of the cross.  
Therefore God has raised him on high,  
and given him the name above every name:  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## **Intercessions – Pam**

### **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.

## **Notices and Family News**

### **MP870: Jesus is the Name We Honour**

Jesus is the name we honour;  
Jesus is the name we praise.  
Majestic Name above all other names,  
The highest heaven and earth proclaim  
That Jesus is our God.



*We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.  
We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.*

Jesus is the name we worship;  
Jesus is the name we trust.  
He is the King above all other kings,  
Let all creation stand and sing  
That Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.  
We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.*

Jesus is the Father's splendour;  
Jesus is the Father's joy.  
He will return to reign in majesty,  
And every eye at last shall see  
That Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.  
We will glorify,  
We will lift him high,  
We will give him honour and praise.*

*Phil Lawson Johnston*

## **Closing Prayer and Blessing**

Almighty God, who raised Jesus from the dead  
and exalted Him to Your right hand on high:  
may we know Your resurrection power in our daily lives and  
look with hope to that day when we shall see You face to face  
and share in your glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to  
you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you  
peace.

The Lord God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the holy  
and undivided Trinity,  
guard you, save you, and bring you to that heavenly city,  
where He lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen**

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