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St. Michael's Church, Galleywood

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**Service sheet for Bible Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> October at 10am**

**Leader: Travers.    Preacher: David.    Music: Paul**

## **Welcome**

As the rain and the snow  
    come down from heaven,  
and do not return to it  
    without watering the earth  
and making it bud and flourish,  
    so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,  
so is my word that goes out from my mouth:  
    It will not return to me empty,  
but will accomplish what I desire  
    and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.      Isaiah 55: 10,11

## **Hymns**

**MP1201**

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.**

## **Chorus**

***Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.***

2) Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.  
*Christ, be our light...*

3) Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.  
*Christ, be our light ...*

4) Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.  
*Christ, be our light*

5) Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.  
*Christ be our light ...*

Bernadette Farrell

**MP 957**

**We want to see Jesus lifted high  
A banner that flies across this land  
That all men might see the truth and know  
He is the way to heaven  
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***We want to see, we want to see  
We want to see Jesus lifted high  
We want to see, we want to see  
We want to see Jesus lifted high.***

Step by step we're moving forward  
Little by little taking ground  
Every prayer a powerful weapon  
Strongholds come tumbling down  
And down and down and down.

*We want to see, we want to see  
We want to see Jesus lifted high  
We want to see, we want to see  
We want to see Jesus lifted high.*

Doug Horley

MP 857

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. ....*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will send the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.

**Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord. ....*

Daniel Schutte

### **Confession**

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

### **Assurance of forgiveness**

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself and cleanse us from all our sins.  
That we may behold the glory of His Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Collect for Bible Sunday**

**Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that,  
through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and  
for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our  
Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Prayer for Sonlight**

**Mission slot.      Bible Society**

### **MP 876**

**1. Let the song go round the earth,  
Jesus Christ is Lord!  
Sound His praises, tell His worth,**

**Be His Name adored;  
Every clime and every tongue  
Join the grand, the glorious song!**

**2. Let the song go round the earth,  
From the eastern sea,  
Where the daylight has its birth,  
Glad, and bright, and free;  
China's millions join the strains,  
Waft them on to India's plains.**

**3. Let the song go round the earth,  
Lands where evil's sway  
Darkly broods o'er home and hearth,  
Cast their bonds away;  
Let His praise from Afric's shore  
Rise and swell her wide lands o'er.**

**4. Let the song go round the earth,  
Where the summer smiles;  
Let the notes of holy mirth  
Break from distant isles;  
Inland forests, dark and dim,  
Ice bound coasts give back the hymn.**

**5. Let the song go round the earth,  
Jesus Christ is King!  
With the story of His worth  
Let the whole world ring;  
Him creation all adore  
Evermore and evermore.**

*S.G.Stock*

**Readings.        Beryl**

**Psalm 119: 9-16**

**How can a young person stay on the path of purity?**

**By living according to your word.**

**<sup>10</sup> I seek you with all my heart;**

**do not let me stray from your commands.**

**<sup>11</sup> I have hidden your word in my heart**

that I might not sin against you.

<sup>12</sup> Praise be to you, Lord;  
teach me your decrees.

<sup>13</sup> With my lips I recount  
all the laws that come from your mouth.

<sup>14</sup> I rejoice in following your statutes  
as one rejoices in great riches.

<sup>15</sup> I meditate on your precepts  
and consider your ways.

<sup>16</sup> I delight in your decrees;  
I will not neglect your word.

### Colossians 3: 12-17

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. <sup>13</sup> Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. <sup>14</sup> And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

<sup>15</sup> Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Talk. David

### MP 275

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
"Come unto Me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon My breast."

I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting- place,  
and He has made me glad.

**2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one;  
stoop down, and drink, and live.”  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in Him.**

**3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“I am this dark world’s Light;  
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright.”  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in Him my Star, my Sun;  
and in that Light of life I’ll walk,  
till travelling days are done.**

**Horatius Bonar**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe in God the Father  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
Who was and is and is to come!  
You are worthy, Our Lord and God,  
To receive glory and honour, and Power for you created all things.  
We believe in God the Son  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
To receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength With honour and  
glory and praise!  
With your blood you have purchased us for God,  
From every tribe and language and people and nation.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit  
The Spirit and the Bride say “Come”. Even so, come, Lord Jesus**

**Intercessions. Cesca**

**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.**

### **Offertory prayer**

### **Banns, Notices and family news**

#### **MP 728**

**We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for men in all the earth;  
the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**2. Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,  
not in a royal house or hall  
but in a stable dark and dim:  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**3. Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save;  
in lonely suffering on the cross  
for all he loved, his life he gave.**

**4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn:  
empty the tomb, for he was free;  
he broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.**

**5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand  
by all creation glorified;  
he sends his Spirit on his church  
to live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**6. Now we rejoice to name him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth;  
this gospel-message we proclaim:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**Edward Joseph Burns**



**Closing prayer from Jude**

**To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you 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.**

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