

Welcome to Penicuik: St Mungo's Parish Church online

A service marking the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



JANUARY 23rd, 2022

This act of worship has been prepared to allow us to spend some time with God, knowing that others are sharing in it.

We thank all the team involved in creating and distributing this service, and praise God for his unchanging character and unfailing love.

This order of service is for you to use as you are able:

some of you may wish simply to read it, whether silently or aloud.

Others may wish to listen, and even join in with the singing: just click on the links.

If you want to join in the whole service, <https://youtu.be/gvP-Qd73u1U>

follow the link which you'll find on our website: www.stmungos.freeuk.com .

And if you would like to listen to just the sermon and a prayer, dial **01968 700121.**

There will be about 20 seconds' silence, after which the recording should start.

INTROIT: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZugvUQ4m90U>

Be still for the presence of the Lord

The Holy one is here

Come bow before him now

In reverence and fear

In Him no sin is found

We stand on Holy ground

Be still for the presence of the Lord

The Holy one is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord

Is shining all around

He burns with Holy fire

With splendor He is crowned

How awesome is the sight

Our radiant King of light

Be still for the glory of the Lord

Is shining all around.

Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal
To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him
In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.

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WELCOME (Rev Peter Wood)

Good morning, and welcome to our service.

OPENING WORDS

The world belongs to God,
The earth and all its people.
How good it is, how wonderful
To live together in unity.

Love & faith come together;
Justice and peace join hands.

Open our lips, Lord,
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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SONGS: Come all ye people

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3kxxN5qmWU>

Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari;
uyai mose, tinamate Mwari;
uyai mose, tinamate Mwari;
uyai mose zvino.

Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker;
come now and worship the Lord.

Music: Alexander Gondo. Translated from the Shona language by I-to Loh

Followed by: Halle halle

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nFQOS6CRh3E>

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Caribbean traditional

PSALM 19 (NRSV)

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

2 Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.

3 There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

5 which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect,
reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;

8 the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;

9 the fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.

11 Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

12 But who can detect their errors?

Clear me from hidden faults.

13 Keep back your servant also from the insolent;^[d]

do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless,

and innocent of great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable to you,

O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

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OPENING PRAYER

SONG: Take O take me as I am

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fRpDeqmkYz8>

Take, O take me as I am;

Summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart

And live in me.

John Bell © WGRG The Iona Community

INTRODUCING THE THEME

BIBLE READING (Christine Jackson)

1 Corinthians 12: 4-31 (NRSV)

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

One Body with Many Members

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong

to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."

On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this.

But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

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HYMN: SONG: Come you thankful people come

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AVuuSKmSQRI>

Come you thankful people come,
to praise the one true God;
come as many, come as one,
to praise the one true God.

We've travelled here down many ways,
to praise the one true God,
and all of us have parts to play,
to praise the one true God.

So we sing:

*Father, Spirit, Son,
you are God, one true God.
We praise you here as one,
you are God, one true God.*

Bring your laughter, raise your voice,
to praise the one true God;
we will make a joyful noise,
to praise the one true God.

Come in sadness, come in pain,
to praise the one true God;
be yourself with us today,
to praise the one true God.

So we sing:

*Father, Spirit, Son,
you are God, one true God.
We praise you here as one,
you are God, one true God.*

Many shapes and sizes come,
to praise the one true God;
we join together old and young,
to praise the one true God.
So bring your gifts and I'll bring mine,
to praise the one true God;
through our differences we'll shine,
to praise the one true God.

So we sing:

*Father, Spirit, Son,
you are God, one true God.
We praise you here as one,
you are God, one true God.*

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REFLECTIONS

RESPONDING

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS (Anne Hamilton)

Gracious loving God,

We come before you this morning with thankful hearts.

Thank you for this world that we live in. For the beauty of the winter days.

For the wonderful colours of the recent sunsets and sunrises. For the stunning brightness of the last week's wolf moon.

Forgive us Lord if we sometimes take this world for granted.

Father give us a greater appreciation and respect for this fragile creation and help us to be willing to take steps to minimise our impact on it.

We pray for the people of Tonga as they come to terms with the damage done by the recent volcano and tsunami. We give thanks that few lives were lost, but the devastation is great. Thank you that help is coming from New Zealand and Australia and we pray that with that help communications will be restored buildings will be

rebuilt and medical aid will get to those who need it. And we ask too Lord that Covid will not be brought in to the population during the aid effort.

We pray too for the situation in Ukraine. We ask Lord that you will breathe your calm into the tension there. Be in the talks between Russia, Ukraine and America and may this situation be resolved peacefully. We pray for all world leaders and ask that they might use their power with integrity recognising that with power comes a responsibility to work for the good of those they govern.

We give thanks for the initiatives going on in Penicuik which provide opportunities for our churches to work together. Thank you that groups are once again able to engage with the local schools.

We lift up Renew 26 , Forest Church and Food Facts and Friends before you.

Father will you give strength and grace to those who lead those projects and will you bless and grow that work that it might attract many who would not be drawn to traditional church services.

We pray for all the Christian communities in Penicuik. For the folks at St James and at Sacred Heart. For those in North Kirk and for those of us here in what will be a new church. Father help us to learn from one another. Help us to see how much you love unity in your church.

Lord look in mercy on your church
lest we your people who know you well
should shut the doors
against the others whom you love to draw to yourself
because they are too different,
too difficult or too demanding.

And using the words of St Cyprian of Carthage written in the 3rd century:

Lord we pray for unity in your church.
Help us to see ourselves as rays from the one sun,
Branches of a single tree
Part of your body.
May we remain united to you and to each other
Because you are our common source of life
And may we send out your light
And pour forth your life giving streams over all the earth,
Drawing our inspiration and joy from you.

Father we pray for one another.

As many Covid restrictions are about to be lifted we pray for any who are anxious about returning to the workplace or mixing again.

We remember those who are anxious about their own health or that of a loved one.

Those who are anxious about difficult circumstances that they are facing.

Father God you already know our needs.

Help us to bring our requests to you and receive your peace.

Finally Father we pray together in the words that Jesus taught us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: I will sing the wondrous story

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDPCFbAysBc>

I will sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me;
How He left the realms of glory
For the cross of Calvary.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.*

I was lost, but Jesus found me,
Found the sheep that went astray,
Raised me up and gently led me
Back into the narrow way.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.*

He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet;
Then at last He'll bring me over
Saved by grace and mystery

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.*

Francis H. Rowley 1886, altered by Ira D. Sankey 1887; Tune: Hyfridol

CLOSING WORDS

For all that God can do within us

For all that God can do without us

Thanks be to God

For all in whom Christ lived before us

For all in whom Christ lives beside us

Thanks be to God

For all the Spirit wants to be bring us

For where the Spirit wants to send us

Thanks be to God

Christ be with us in our work, in our witness together

That a greater vision may be cast and a greater love known.

We go to meet him.

Amen

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Next Sunday 30th January

11am in St Mungo's

Continuing in 2 Samuel.

The service will include the celebration of Holy Communion