



Sunday 6th February 2022

Part of a series of joint services
for the Church of Scotland congregations
in the town
on the theme of
"The five marks of mission"

This act of worship has been prepared to allow us all to spend some time with God, knowing that others are sharing in it. This morning we focus on signs and wonders.

We thank all 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/AWFVet-NmU8>

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.

NB The phone recording of the service is an abridged version –
the full service is available on YouTube.

INTROIT: In the Name of god the Father

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ajsoe2-9g8g>

In the name of God the Father,
for the glory of the Son,
in the power of the Spirit, now in faith we come.

We are gathered in your presence
as the people of the King
and you raise our hearts to heaven as we sing.

*We lift up your name, O God,
you are worthy of our praise,
so great in power and glorious in grace,
so high and holy,
the mighty three-in-one:
in your name we come.*

We will call upon your mercy
as we celebrate your grace,
and we'll bring our joys and troubles as we seek your face.
We will share the peace you've given
as we feast upon your word;
and you make us into light for all the world.

We lift up your name, O God.....

Open our lips, open our lips,
and we shall declare your praises.
Open our eyes, open our eyes to you.
Open our hearts, open our minds,
we're trusting you to change us,
open our lives, let Jesus shine anew.

We lift up your name, O God.....

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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP John Urquhart (StM)

SONG: Strength will rise

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Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord. (X2)
Our God, you reign forever.
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer.

You are the everlasting God,
the everlasting God.

You do not faint,
you won't grow weary.

You're the defender of the weak,
you comfort those in need.

You lift us up on wings like eagles.

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PRAYER OF APPROACH Ann Thomson (PNK)

Gracious and loving God -

we are gathered in different places for worship;
we have come along familiar roads and paths this morning;
we sit in familiar surroundings, and perhaps at home.

The walls are familiar places surround us;
the people that are known to us surround us;
but now we have come together, a community of your people;
separate but gathered.

Come among us to be close, and bind us as congregations in the bonds of love
so that we find you and each other, to praise you, worship you, and learn of your ways
together.

Help us cast off that which is without value at this time.

Help us be aware of the nearness of your spirit, the call of the saviour and the goodness of your creation.

We know that there are times when we have fallen short, that there are aspects right throughout our lives that we would have changed, would change, but they seem to hang on. Habit and history, narrowness and weakness, concern and fear of change, grasp us and hold us back.

Be it personal, be it be in our dealings with others be it in the way we have regarded creation. We seek forgiveness.

And we know with you is love and grace.

We know with you is the promise of new ways, fresh hope, promises renewed, and for this we praise you.

Have mercy on us gracious God, and bring us to that new way.

Shine a light on that hope, that we might follow.

Let us see the promise fully in front of us, and drawing us forward so that we might be ready to tell of your salvation and work it out in our lives, and with others.

So we are filled with thanksgiving.

As we move into our time of worship take our songs and prayers,

receive our thoughts, and grow our understanding of the way forward with you

to be a Christian people, a Christian community, in our parishes and local community

Amen

Song: Go Tell It On the Mountain

Watch video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b9o7bv7enYI>

*Go, tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere.*

*Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born.*

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a Holy light.

Go, tell it on the mountain.....

The shepherds feared and trembled
When, lo! Above the Earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth.

Go, tell it on the mountain....

Down in a lowly manger
Our humble Christ was born.
And brought us all salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.
Go, tell it on the mountain

REFLECTION Sheila Anderson (PSH)

BIBLE READINGS

MATTHEW 28:16-20 (ESV)

Reader: Janis Hogg (StM)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshipped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in¹ the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

ROMANS 10:11-17 (ESV)

Reader: David Hogg (StM)

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 14:1-5 (ESV)

Reader: David Hogg (StM)

Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophesy. For one who speaks in a tongue speaks not to men but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit. On the other hand, the one who prophesies speaks to people for their upbuilding and encouragement and consolation. The one who speaks in a tongue builds up himself, but the one who prophesies builds up the church. Now I want you all to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up.

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SONG: From the Squalor Of A Borrowed Stable

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From the squalor of a borrowed stable,
By the Spirit and a virgin's faith;
To the anguish and the shame of scandal
Came the Saviour of the human race.
But the skies were filled with the praise of heaven,
Shepherds listen as the angels tell
Of the Gift of God come down to man
At the dawning of Immanuel.

King of heaven now the Friend of sinners,
Humble servant in the Father's hands,
Filled with power and the Holy Spirit,
Filled with mercy for the broken man.
Yes, He walked my road and He felt my pain,
Joys and sorrows that I know so well;
Yet His righteous steps give me hope again –
I will follow my Immanuel.

Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal,
He was lifted on a cruel cross;
He was punished for a world's transgressions,
He was suffering to save the lost.
He fights for breath, He fights for me,
Loosing sinners from the claims of hell;
And with a shout our souls are free –
Death defeated by Immanuel.

Now He's standing in the place of honour,
Crowned with glory on the highest throne,
Interceding for His own beloved
Till His Father calls to bring them home!
Then the skies will part as the trumpet sounds
Hope of heaven or the fear of hell;
But the Bride will run to her Lover's arms,
Giving glory to Immanuel!

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REFLECTION Eunice Astles (PNK)

TALK Graham Astles (PNK)

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Lorna Ward (PSH)

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God in the beginning, and the Word was God.

We thank you God for all the words that help us get to know you better.

You are loving and faithful, close and awesome..

And yet all our words are not enough to describe you.

Holy Spirit give us the words when we are with neighbours, acquaintances, family and folks who don't know you to speak well of you -how ever many, or few words we use. We ask for courage to open our mouths, and we pray for discipline to know when to shut our mouths.

Jesus, you told some beautiful & brilliant stories.

Give us fresh insights to retell the story of your love in our life

-at moments of deep trouble

-at moments of ecstatic closeness

-at moments when in the ordinariness of the sun rising we know afresh that we live in the light of your great story of love.

Lord, we pray for story tellers and visionaries the world over, where people need to be reminded that we are not alone, but you are with us in and through all the suffering in our lives.

We pray for families in Tonga, in Ukraine, in Yemen, in Afghanistan, in Syria.

We pray for this country as the cost of living rises further and most affects the poor.

We pray for justice. And we pray for the prophets -help their words inspire a generation to live in kindness and humility.

We pray for all those that use words.

For our politicians, for our teachers, for our journalists, for our social media influencers

We pray for our town.

Lord, as we come out of restrictions, would you grant fresh energy and ideas so that Penicuik would be more clearly known as a place where people matter and where people can thrive.

Lord God, we pray for our community as we work towards the union of our two churches: for words that build up, that open up new possibilities, that bring healing and hope, that empower and inspire, that enable us to move forward together. Enlarge our vision and move us by your love.

Father God, by your spirit bring in your kingdom.

You came in Jesus to bring good news to the poor,

Sight to the blind, freedom to the captives,

And salvation to your people;

Anoint us with your spirit;

Rouse us to work in your name.

Father God, by your spirit bring in your kingdom.

Send us to bring help to the poor

And freedom to the oppressed;

Send us to tell the world

The good news of your healing love

Send us to those who mourn

To bring joy and gladness and hope renewed

Father God, by your spirit bring in your kingdom.

Send us to proclaim that the time is here for you to reconcile all people to yourself.

Lord of the church, hear our prayer and make us one in heart and mind

To serve you in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN: I will offer up my life

Watch video at [https://youtu.be/ fg5EVeGt00](https://youtu.be/fg5EVeGt00)

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth,

Pouring out the oil of love as my worship to You.

In surrender I must give my ev'ry part.

Lord, receive the sacrifice of a broken heart.

Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring

To so faithful a Friend to so loving a King?

Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung

As a praise of Your name for the things You have done?

Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,

Of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.

You deserve my ev'ry breath for You've paid the great cost:

Giving up Your life to death, even death on a cross.

You took all my shame away, there defeated my sin.

Opened up the gates of heav'n and have beckoned me in.

Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring.....

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The following congregations were involved in this service:

- PNK: Penicuik North
- PSH: Penicuik South with Howgate
- StM: Penicuik St Mungo's

Next Sunday 13th February in St Mungo's:

The God of all Grace

**Prophet Nathan delivers God's message to David
2 Samuel 7**

Morning service

**Followed by Congregational Meeting and vote
on the proposed union of the congregations
of Penicuik St Mungo's and Penicuik South with Howgate.**



Next KIP service: Sunday 6th March:

**We continue our series on "The five marks of mission":
Telling (part 2)"**