

Hymn 625 I need you Lord...

1. I need you, Lord, for I have seen
what life, if led by you, may be;
come, be my master, make me clean
from all my sin's impurity.
2. Show me yourself through life's dark maze
when doubts bring darkness, fears are strong;
give me your strength, that all my days
may know the triumph over wrong.
3. Help me to see you where you are,
among the weary, sad and lost;
give me a warm, responsive heart,
to love them, too, at any cost.
4. In serving you where'er you lead,
I'll share your cross, your servant be:
until I find that all my need
is met when I your face shall see.

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Greeting and Welcome

The Word Spoken: Scripture and Preaching

The Testimony of Scripture

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path.

Isaiah 62: 1 - 5

Hymn 602 O love that will not let me go

1. O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee:
I give them back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean depths it flow
may richer, fuller be.
2. O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee:
my heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
my brighter, fairer be.
3. O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee:
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.
4. O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee:
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.

George Matheson, 1842-1906

John 2: 1 - 11

This is the gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

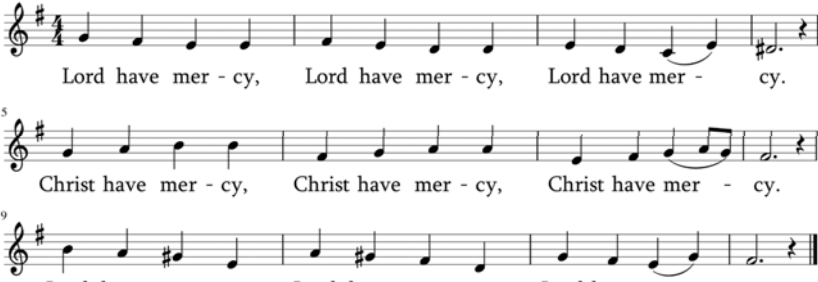
The Preaching of the Word

*The sermon text will normally be available
after worship and online*

A 'sermon of stillness' – a moment for quiet reflection – usually follows the preaching

Prayer of Confession

LORD HAVE MERCY



Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.
Christ have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy.
Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

Lord, have mercy; (3x)

Christ, have mercy; (3x)

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Declaration of Forgiveness


(Please stand if you are able)

...hear, then, Christ's word of grace to us:

Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology



Gl - ory to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, hea - ven - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Jes - us Christ on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our
prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Jes - us Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

The Covenant Prayer

... I am no longer my own, but yours.

I am no longer my own, but yours.

put me to what you will,

rank me with whom you will;

put me to doing, put me to suffering;

let me be employed for you or laid aside for you;

exalted for you or brought low for you;

let me be full, let me be empty;

let me have all things, let me have nothing;

I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things

to your pleasure and disposal.

And now, glorious and blessed God,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

you are mine and I am yours,

to the glory and praise of your name. Amen.

The Peace

We are the body of Christ.

The Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Visible Word: Eucharist

Hymn 526 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

1. Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us
you are one with us,
Mary's son;
cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in,
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
living Lord.
2. Lord Jesus Christ,
now and every day,
teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord of you:
into our lives your power breaks through,
living Lord.
3. Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
born as one of us,
Mary's son;
led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus, help us to see
you are Lord.

4. Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
live my life for you,
Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
living Lord.

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(If you are able, please remain standing until after the Lord's Prayer)

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

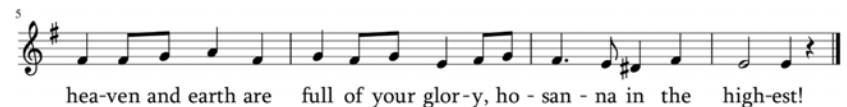
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The prayer continues...)

... and the whole creation in the eternal hymn:

SANCTUS



BENEDICTUS

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

(The prayer continues...)

.... We celebrate the redemption he has won for us.

CHRIST HAS DIED

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

(The prayer continues...)

... all honour and glory are yours, Father almighty, now and forever.

BLESSING AND HONOUR

Bless-ing and hon - our, glo-ry and power are yours for e - ver - more

*Blessing and honour, glory and power
 are yours forever more.*

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.*

*Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.*

*For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.*

(The people sit)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction

The gifts of God for the people of God....

JESUS, LAMB OF GOD

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus bear - er of our sin have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world, grant us peace.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sin, have mercy on us.

*Jesus, redeemer of the world,
 grant us peace.*

The Communion

The Uniting Church recognises this Table as the Lord's and, so, open to all who would normally commune in their home congregations.

After the invitation, and commencing from the front rows, please come forward in single file to the table, where you will be offered the bread at one point and the wine (in communion glasses only) at a second point. The wine has been prepared with as much COVID-19 precaution as practicable, and the celebrant and wine-server have sanitised their hands prior to the distribution. The common cup will only be used by the celebrant

If you can't stand or walk to the front but would like to receive the element(s), please raise your hand if the celebrant has not already noticed you.

Post Communion Prayer

Prayers of the People

(Names for inclusion in the prayers may be recorded in the book in the narthex)

Offering

Many members now make their offering by electronic transfer; the plate will be passed for those who prefer to make cash/envelope offerings. The prayer dedicating the offerings 'captures' the full range of gifts.

Notices

The Sending Forth of the People of God

Hymn 439 What shall we offer our good Lord?

1. What shall we offer our good Lord,
poor nothings, for his boundless grace?
Fain would we his great name record
and worthily set forth his praise.

2. Great object of our growing love,
to whom our more than all we owe,
open the fountain from above,
and let it our full souls o'erflow.
3. So shall our lives they power proclaim,
thy grace for every sinner free,
till all the world shall learn they name,
shall all stretch out their hands to thee.
4. Open a door which earth and hell
may strive to shut, but strive in vain;
let thy word richly in us dwell,
and let our gracious fruit remain.
5. O multiply the sower's seed!
and fruit we every hour shall bear,
throughout the world they gospel spread,
thy everlasting truth declare.

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tr. John Wesley 1703-91*

Word of Mission and Blessing

Postlude: D Buxtehude, Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ

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