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WELCOME by Rev Jonny Blair

WE SING

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

READING Romans 6: 3-11 read by Mary Nwankwo

At the end of the reading, we use the following response:

Reader This

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

INTERVIEW

READING John 20:1-18 read by Sue Hart

Reader This is the word of the Lord

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WE SING

I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene, And wonder how He could love me, A sinner condemned, unclean.

Chorus:

How marvellous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be:
How marvellous! How wonderful!
Is my Saviour's love for me!

For me it was in the garden, He prayed: "Not my will, but Thine." He had no tears for His own griefs, But sweat-drops of blood for mine.

Chorus

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own; He bore the burden to Calv'ry, And suffered, and died alone.

Chorus

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me.

Chorus

SERMON Pastor Julius Popoola

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Minister Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

Minister Friends, if you believe in this Easter message, let us

declare together our faith in the resurrection of the Lord

Jesus Christ

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Minister Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Minister Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit.

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life everlasting. Amen

WE SING

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

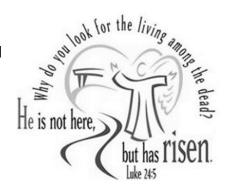
No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

READING Romans 10: 8-15 read by Ruth Evans

And the end of the reading, we use the following response:

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God



PRAISE AND INTERCESSIONS led by the Clarke Family concluding with the Lord's Prayer, which we pray together:

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 forever. Amen.

WE SING

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb!
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won!

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is naught without Thee: aid us in our strife; Make us more than conquerors, through Thy deathless love; Lead us in Thy triumph to Thy home above.

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BLESSING

Minister May Christ, who out of defeat

brings new hope and a new future,

fill you with His new life,

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

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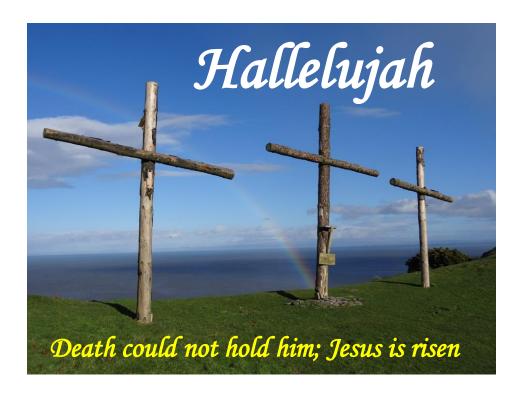
Minister Let us bless the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Blessing, honour and glory be yours

here and everywhere, now and forever. Amen





After the service, the Café will be open for the sale of tea, coffee and other refreshments

Thank you to Two Fat Cats Bakery, Bridge Street for the Hot Cross Buns

Thank you to everyone who has made this service possible.

A special thank you to Melvyn and Jill Mills for all their practical help and to the Café opening so early and for opening the car park for us













