

Hymn Sheet for Sunday 19th November 2023
Sunday Worship led by Richard Benham and Rev Andrew Mudharara

Welcome

Call to Worship – 2 Corinthians 9 v 6 - 15

Hymn MP 835

Great is the darkness that covers the earth,
Oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
though many have come in your name.
Watching while sanity dies,
Touched by the madness and lies.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

May now your church rise with power and love,
This glorious gospel proclaim.
In ev'ry nation salvation will come
To those who believe in your name.
Help us bring light to this world
That we might speed your return.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

Great celebrations on that final day
When out of the heavens you come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
And rulers will bow at your throne.
Our great commission complete,
Then face to face we shall meet.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

Hymn MP 327

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of Light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Church Family News

Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

Hymn MP 624 (offertory to be taken during the hymn)

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of Thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine;
it shall be no longer mine:
take my heart, it is Thine own;
it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at Thy feet its treasure store:
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for Thee.

Offertory Dedication

Reading 1 Thessalonians 5 v 1 - 11

Hymn MP469

My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine:
now hear me while I pray;
take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
be wholly Thine.

May Thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire.
As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee
pure, war, and changeless be,
a living fire.

While life's dark maze I tread,
and griefs around me spread,
be Thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold sullen stream
shall o'er me roll,
blest Saviour, then in love,
fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul.

Sermon “We have something to offer”

Hymn MP1157

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us:
and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.

(Chorus)

*So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.*

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, torn for you:
eat and remember the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
paid the price to make us one.
*So we share... (change 3rd line to)
as a sign of our bonds of love...*

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you:
drink and remember He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.
*So we share... (change 3rd line to)
as a sign of our bonds of grace*

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond,
and to remember our call to follow in the steps of Christ
as His body here on earth.
*As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
around the table of the King.*

Communion

Hymn MP168

Give me the faith which can remove
and sink the mountain to a plain;
Give me the childlike, praying love,
which longs to build Thy house again;
Thy love: let it my heart o'erpower,
let it my ransomed soul devour.

I would the precious time redeem,
and longer live for this alone
To spend and to be spent for them
who have not yet my Saviour known;
Fully on these my mission prove,
and only breathe to breathe Thy love.

My talents, gifts, and graces, Lord,
into Thy blessed hands receive;
And let me live to preach Thy word,
And let me to Thy glory live;
My every sacred moment spend
in publishing the sinners' friend.

Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart
with boundless charity divine;
So shall I all my strength exert,
And lead them to Thine open side,
The sheep for whom their Shepherd died.

Grace

Exit Music: Fan-fare on the hymn tune 'Olivet' (*My faith looks up to Thee*)
by David Blackwell