

Hymn Sheet for Sunday Morning 10th March 2024
Mothering Sunday Service which is led by Rev Janet Wootton

Welcome followed by Call to Worship

Isaiah 6 v1 ff

Hymn MP645

The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love.
Jehovah, great I AM!
by earth and heaven confessed;
we bow and bless the sacred name, for ever blessed.

The God of Abraham praise,
at whose supreme command
from earth we rise, and seek the joys
at His right hand;
we all on earth forsake,
its wisdom, fame, and power;
and Him our only portion make, our shield and tower.

The God of Abraham praise,
whose all-sufficient grace
shall guide us all our happy days,
in all our ways:
He is our faithful friend;
He is our gracious God;
and He will save us to the end,
through Jesus' blood.

He by Himself has sworn
we on His oath depend
we shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
to heaven ascend:
we shall behold His face,
we shall His power adore,
and sing the wonders of His grace
for evermore.

The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high:
'Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!'
they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God and ours!
We join the heavenly lays;
and celebrate with all our powers
His endless praise.

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Reading Psalm 98

Hymn

When, in our music, God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried:
Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue:
Alleluia!

And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
when utmost evil strove against the Light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always:
Alleluia!

Bible Reading Mark 7: 24 - 30

Offerings

Video “Thuma Mina”

Hymn

Imagine a world where our leaders aren't liars,
distorting reporting and spinning the news;
where all whistle-blowers and brave Jeremiahs
are lauded, applauded and never abused.

Imagine a world where believers aren't fighting
and shedding our blood in the name of their gods;
where faith is delightful, enlightening, inviting,
and never deployed for crusades or jihads.

Imagine a world where the markets aren't idols,
bowed down to and worshipped in envy and greed;
where wealth is released and the bankers are bridled,
the poor have a plot and the famished a feed.

Imagine a world where there is no pollution,
the air is so clear and the oceans are clean;
where humans don't threaten the earth's evolution,
the animals flourish and forests are green.

Imagine a world as the Lord has intended,
where goodness and justice and beauty preside;
a world we have broken that might yet be mended:
the future is now, it is ours to decide.

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Prayers

Choir "God's Choir"

Sermon

Hymn MP486

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills,
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given;
The Son and Him Who reigns
with Them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Blessing

Exit Music: "Now thank we all our God" from Cantata no 79 by J S Bach (arr Virgil Fox)

The song Thuma Mina may also be sung during one of the prayers

Thuma mina
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Somandla

Send me Lord
Send me Jesus (x3)
Send me Lord

Lead me Lord
Lead me Jesus (x3)
Lead me Lord

Fill me Lord
Fill me Jesus (x3)
Fill me Lord