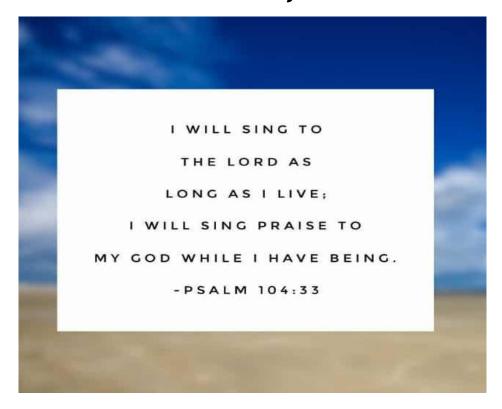
# **Sunday Morning Worship**

7th February 2021

# The Second Sunday before Lent



Please come with us on a journey of prayer, praise and worship this morning.

Join in with us at home by using this service sheet.

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.."

Psalm 103: 33

# Opening Prayer

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you this morning.

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us new hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Opening Worship - My Worth is not in What I own

My worth is not in what I own

Not in the strength of flesh and bone

But in the costly wounds of love

At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed
At the cross

I rejoice in my redeemer
Greatest treasure
Wellspring of my soul
And I will trust in him, no other
My soul is satisfied in him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die Fame, youth and beauty hurry by But life eternal calls to us At the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might Or human wisdom's fleeting light But I will boast in knowing Christ At the cross

I rejoice in my redeemer
Greatest treasure
Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in him, no other
My soul is satisfied in him alone

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed, my ransom paid
At the cross

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#### Confession

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in penitence and faith...

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins...

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives; Father, forgive us: save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you; Father, forgive us: save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do, and think and say;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you by temptations in the world about us; Father, forgive us: save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son; Father, forgive us:

# save us and help us. *Amen.*

#### **Absolution**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

<u>Psalm 104: 24-35</u> <u>Kids Slot</u>

#### Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

> <u>Bible Reading – John 1: 1-14 &</u> <u>Colossians 1: 15-20</u> <u>Sermon</u>

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Prayers and Intercessions

In our prayers and intercessions this morning, the response to 'great are You, Lord' is 'mighty is your power.'

#### Great are You, Lord, mighty is your power.

Great are you, Lord God, creator of all things.
You have brought all things into being,
You are good in all You do and You are mighty in power...

Lord, we wait, we watch, we long for You.
Renew us, refresh our spirits, restore our well-being,
for You give new strength to the faint and power to the powerless.
May we, your church, care for those around us,
give us hearts of compassion and kindness.
Lord, be a tower of refuge and strength.
Great are You, Lord, mighty is your power.

Heavenly Father, give wisdom and discernment to all those involved in responding to COVID-19.

We pray for our nation, our government and for all those in authority.

We also pray for all those who protect us, care for us and treat us: for our precious NHS staff; police and emergency services; for care home staff and those who care in the community, and for all key workers who continue to work for the good of the whole community. Lord, be a tower of refuge and strength.

Great are You, Lord, mighty is your power.

Loving Lord Jesus, we pray for those who have been bereaved, who are ill or in distress.

We remember all those who care for loved ones and for those who are concerned about the impact of COVID-19 on their families.

We take a moment now to offer our own prayers to our Saviour and friend... Lord, be a tower of refuge and strength.

Great are You, Lord, mighty is your power.

#### Father,

You are a good God – a loving Father.
Give us joy and hope in times of darkness.
Be our strength in times of weakness,
uphold us when we are down,
protect us at all times;
through Christ our Lord.
Lord, be a tower of refuge and strength.
Great are You, Lord, mighty is your power.

## The Lord's Prayer

We pray together:
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

## Closing Worship - We Fall Down

We fall down
We lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of
Mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus

And we cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy
Is the lamb

No more fears
You've dried our tears
At the feet of Jesus
Grace abounds
To all who have found
The feet of Jesus

And we cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy
Is the lamb

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### Closing Prayer and Blessing

Now may the blessing of God the Father, who made from one every nation that occupies the earth; of God the Son who bought us for God from every tribe and language and people and nation; and of God the Spirit who brings us together in unity, be with us and remain with us always. **Amen.** 

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