

**Morning Worship**  
**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

**A service of the word for**



**Creationtide**



## **Opening Prayer**

God in Christ has revealed his glory.

**Come let us worship.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting

**the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.**

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

**O praise the name of the Lord!**

## **Climate Change Collect**

**Holy God, earth and air and water are your creation,**

**and every living thing belongs to you:**

**have mercy on us as climate change confronts us.**

**Give us the will and the courage to simplify the way we live,**

**to reduce the energy we use,**

**to share the resources you provide,**

**and to bear the cost of change.**

**Forgive our past mistakes**

**and send us your Spirit,**

**with wisdom in present controversies**

**and vision for the future to which you call us**

**in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God  
When I, in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works Thy hands have made  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart

Then shall I bow, in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
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Songwriters: Stuart Hine

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## **Intro to Confession**

### **Confession**

**God our Father, we are sorry**

**for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,  
and acted ungratefully.**

**Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:  
forgive us and help us.**

**We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,  
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.  
Father, in your mercy:  
forgive us and help us.**

**We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,  
but ignore the cry of the hungry.  
Father, in your mercy: forgive us and help us.**

**We are thoughtless,  
and do not care enough for the world you have made.  
Father, in your mercy:  
forgive us and help us.**

**We store up goods for ourselves alone,  
as if there were no God and no heaven.  
Father, in your mercy:  
forgive us and help us.**

### **Absolution**

**Amen.**

### **Psalm 95:1-7**

Come, let us sing to the Lord our God;  
**raise the roof to the Rock of rescue.**  
Come into the presence of the Lord with thanks;  
**raise the rafters with songs of praise.**

The Lord is the great God, over all;  
**greater than every other power.**

He holds the depths of the earth in his hands,  
**and the mountain peaks belong to him.**

The ocean is the Lord's: it was made by God;  
**the land was formed by his own hands.**

Come, let us bow before the Lord our maker;

**with humble hearts we worship God.**

The Lord is God and we are his;

**we are the Shepherd's very own flock.**

## Reading's

### Psalm 146

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD, my soul.

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes,

in human beings, who cannot save.

<sup>4</sup> When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;

on that very day their plans come to nothing.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the LORD their God.

<sup>6</sup> He is the Maker of heaven and earth,

the sea, and everything in them

he remains faithful forever.

<sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed

and gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets prisoners free,

<sup>8</sup> the LORD gives sight to the blind,

the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down,

the LORD loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the foreigner

and sustains the fatherless and the widow,

but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> The LORD reigns forever,

your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the LORD.

## Matthew 22:34-40 - The Greatest Commandment

<sup>34</sup> Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. <sup>35</sup> One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: <sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

<sup>37</sup> Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ <sup>38</sup> This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ <sup>40</sup> All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

### **Talk**

#### **Affirmation of faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All - We believe in God the Father,**  
**from whom every family**  
**in heaven and on earth is named.**  
**We believe in God the Son,**  
**who lives in our hearts through faith,**  
**and fills us with his love.**  
**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,**  
**who strengthens us**  
**with power from on high.**  
**We believe in one God;**  
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## Prayers

### All Things Bright and Beautiful

All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours,  
He made their tiny wings.

All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all

The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
The sunset and the morning,  
That brightens up the sky;

The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
He made them every one;

All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all



He gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty,  
Who has made all things well.

All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.

Songwriters: John Rutter

## **Final Prayer**

Lord, grant us the wisdom to care for the earth and till it.  
Help us to act now for the good of future generations and all your  
creatures.

Help us to become instruments of a new creation,  
Founded on the covenant of your love.

Go in strong and growing faith.  
Trust in the tenderness of Christ  
to heal a bruised and broken world.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in eager and refreshing hope.  
Work with Christ risen from the dead,  
to fulfil the promise of a new creation.

**Thanks be to God.**

Let us go in peace,  
to treasure and to tend the world God made and loves.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## NOTICES

### **Bring and Share Lunch – 12 September**

We will be joining together in a Bring and Share Lunch **next Sunday** after the 10am service with Archdeacon Richard Frank. If you can help with bringing along some food to share, please do sign the list on the welcome table. We look forward to seeing everyone next Sunday.

### **Harvest Festival – 26 September**

Our Harvest Service will take place at the 10am service on Sunday 26 September. Please come along and bring these much-needed non-perishable **items for our local Food Banks**: canned meat (such as stews) and fish, long life fruit juice and milk, crisps, chocolates and cleaning materials such as washing up liquid, cleaning sprays, bleach etc. Again, we're running '**coin on a can**', so please tape a £1 or £2 coin on the cans/jars. This money will be donated to SPEAR.

### **Fun Gardening Activities for Wildlife**

As a church family we are working towards our Eco Church status at Holy Trinity. We warmly welcome you to get involved by attending our planned events over the autumn:

- Saturday 11 September – Building a bug hotel, hedgehog house and more
- Saturday 25 September - Sowing a wildlife meadow and more
- Saturday 23 October – Planting bulbs, preparing area for a small wildlife pond and mounting nesting boxes
- Saturday 13 November – Planting of fruit bearing trees, building of a wildlife pond for amphibians and more.

Please pick up a leaflet from the welcome table with full information.