

10am
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Welcome (Simon Flinders)

Song 'COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS'

1. Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
2. Israel's strength and consolation, dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.
3. Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
4. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

Charles Wesley (1744)
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The Lord's Supper

Including . . .

'Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have often gone our own way and rejected your will for our lives. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us forgive us, cleanse us, and change us. By your Holy Spirit enable us to live for you and to please you in every way, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.'

Song 'JESUS MESSIAH'

1. He became sin, who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled himself
and carried the cross
Love so amazing, love so amazing
- CHORUS:**
*Jesus Messiah,
name above all names
Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel
The rescue for sinners
The ransom from Heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all*

2. His body the bread,
his blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled,
and the veil was torn

Love so amazing, love so amazing

CHORUS:
*Jesus Messiah,
name above all names
Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel
The rescue for sinners
The ransom from Heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all*

BRIDGE:

*All our hope is in You,
all our hope is in You
All the glory to You,
God, the light of the world*

FINAL CHORUS:

*Jesus Messiah,
name above all names
Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel
The rescue for sinners
The ransom from Heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all*

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*The children will now leave for Kids Church and Minis.
Those staying in the service can take the opportunity
to talk to those around them.*

Notices

Prayers in Small Groups

Bible Readings

(Chris Rogers)

Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸ This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”). ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

Romans 5:12–21

¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned — ¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone’s account where there is no law.

¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. ¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God’s grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! ¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man’s sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! ¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. ²⁰ The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, ²¹ so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Homily

(Pat O’Keeffe)

Song

‘ON OUR SIDE’

1. You have rescued us,
freed us from our captor’s chains.
Broke the sea apart,
carried us on eagles’ wings.
With a mighty hand
you have shown your glory,
brought us to a land,
free to serve your Holy name.

CHORUS:

*And so we sing of all you’ve done.
You are on our side.
For you are our strength and song.
You are on our side, O Lord.*

2. From the Father’s side
you were sent to save the lost.
Beaten and despised,
nailed to a cursed cross.
With your outstretched arms
you have shown your mercy,
ransomed us from harm,
brought us to our home above.

CHORUS:

*And so we sing of all you’ve done.
You are on our side.
For you are our strength and song.
You are on our side, O Lord.*

BRIDGE:

*You will be our God.
We will be your people.
You will be our God.
We will be your people.
You will dwell with us.
We will live to worship.
You will dwell with us.
We will live to worship you.*

CHORUS:

*And so we sing of all you’ve done.
You are on our side.
For you are our strength and song.
You are on our side, O Lord.*

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All are now invited to share in some morning tea and conversation outside.

If you’d like to pray with a church leader now, Laura Read and André Kyme will be outside near the doors of the Preschool classroom (opposite the hall kitchen) and they’d be glad to pray with anyone.

Parents should pick up their children from their programs at 11:15am.