

Sunday @ Seven February 2023

Hungry & Thirsty?

Wecome

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;
For Jesus restores what sin would
destroy.

God's power and glory in Jesus we know;
And here and hereafter the kingdom shall
grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;
The captives are freed, the sinners find place,
The outcasts are welcomed God's banquet to
share;
And hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice:
Believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to His
cross;
Our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer His
call;
And all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.

Opening Prayer

Let us come into the stillness of the presence
of God;

Let us seek the Peace of God in our hearts
and lives;

Let us seek His will for us;
May none of us feel alone and inadequate,
but know that with Him all shall be possible,
all shall be well. Amen.

Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy
One is here.

Come bow before Him now in reverence and
fear.

In Him no sin is found; we stand on Holy
ground.

Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy
One is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all
around.

He burns with Holy fire; with splendour He is
crowned.

How awesome is the sight, our radiant king
of light.

Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all
around.

Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in
this place.

He comes to cleanse and heal; to minister his
grace.

No work too hard for Him; in faith receive
from Him.

Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in
this place.

Hungry, thirsty or replete?

Some thoughts on Matthew 5 v 6

***"Blessed are those who hunger and
thirst for righteousness, for they will be
filled"***

As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after You.

You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
to You alone may my spirit yield.*

*You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver,
only You can satisfy.

You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength,.....

You're my Friend and You are my Brother,
even though You are a King.

I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything.

You alone are my strength,.....

***An invitation to come and dine.
Some thoughts on Isaiah 55 v 1-2
"Come all...come buy and eat!"***

Come set your rule and
reign
in our hearts again.
Increase in us we pray.
Unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with
hope
like wildfire in our very
souls.
Holy Spirit come invade us
now.
We are your
church.
We need your power in us!

*Build your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show your mighty
hand.
Heal our streets and
land.
Set your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build your kingdom here. We pray.*

We seek your kingdom first.
We hunger and we
thirst.
Refuse to waste our
lives.
For you're our joy and prize.
To see the captive hearts released.
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's
cause.
We are your
church.
We pray revive this earth!

Build your kingdom here.....

Unleash your kingdom's power.
Reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can

stop
Your beauty changing
hearts.
You made us for much more than this.
Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of
Christ!
We are your
church.
We are the hope on earth!

Build your kingdom here.....

So what's on offer?

***Some thoughts on John 6 v 35 "I am
the bread of life. He who comes to me
will never be hungry, and who ever
believes in me will never be thirsty."***

I am the bread of life;
he who comes to me shall not hunger;
he who believes in me shall not thirst.
No-one can come to me unless the Father
draw him.

*And I will raise him up. And I will raise him
up,
and I will raise him up on the last day.*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world
and he who eats of this bread,
he shall live for ever, he shall live for ever.

And I will raise him up...

Yes, Lord, we believe
that you are the
Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come into the world.

And I will raise him up.....

Are we hungry? Do we need to quench our thirst?

A moment for quiet reflection.

Prayer to say together

Father God, we give you thanks for your invitation to come to you through your Son Jesus.

Thank you for your invitation to eat of the bread of life and to drink the living waters that he offers.

Thank you that our hunger and thirst can be satisfied through Jesus.

We pray tonight for renewal of our commitment to your Word;
refresh us with new understanding of your goodness and mercy in our lives;
refuel us with your Holy Spirit.

Thank you for your loving hand upon us.
In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

O let the Son of God enfold you
with his Spirit and his love,
let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let him have the things that hold you,
and his Spirit like a dove
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

*Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.*

O come and sing this song with gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy,
lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.

O give him all your tears and sadness,
give him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus name.

O Jesus, O Jesus.....

Have your say...

My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like
you.

All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in
You.

Our prayers for others

***Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,***

**your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen**

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer.
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
hold me with Thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.

We say the Grace together

Next Sunday @ Seven

March 26

***Sorry, but that's
the rules***



**Come and join with us for an hour of
relaxed worship and reflection.
This month we will be reminding
ourselves about those Ten
Commandments and their implications
for us.
We will meet in the Barritt Room at St.**

**John with St Mark Hall. Or you can join
in via Zoom.**

**Please contact Nigel Silvester or Ian
Banks for more details.**