

**St Andrew's, Chesterton**  
**Celebrating the Churchyard**

**13 September 2020**  
**Fourteenth Sunday of Trinity**

**We gather together**

God in Christ 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!**

**We sing**

I cast my mind to Calvary  
    where Jesus bled and died for me.  
I see his wounds, his hands, his feet.  
    My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears,  
    they laid him down in Joseph's tomb.  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone,  
    Messiah still and all alone.

*O praise the name of the Lord our God.  
O praise his name forever more.  
For endless days we will sing your praise,  
oh Lord, oh Lord our God.*

Then on the third at break of dawn,  
    the Son of heaven rose again.  
O trampled death where is your sting?  
    The angels roar for Christ the King.

*O praise the name of the Lord our God...*

He shall return in robes of white,  
    the blazing Son shall pierce the night.  
And I will rise among the saints,  
    my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

*O praise the name of the Lord our God...*

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**We say sorry**

We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

## **We receive God's forgiveness**

### **We say the prayer for the day**

**Almighty God,**  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

○ Lord, open our lips  
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

## **Churchyard Art**

### **We read the Bible together: Psalm 103**

- <sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name.
- <sup>2</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and do not forget all his benefits—**
- <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,
- <sup>4</sup> **who redeems your life from the Pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**
- <sup>5</sup> who satisfies you with good as long as you live  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- <sup>6</sup> **The LORD works vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.**
- <sup>7</sup> He made known his ways to Moses,  
his acts to the people of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup> **The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
- <sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.
- <sup>10</sup> **He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**
- <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- <sup>12</sup> **as far as the east is from the west,  
so far he removes our transgressions from us.**
- <sup>13</sup> As a father has compassion for his children,  
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.
- <sup>14</sup> **For he knows how we were made;  
he remembers that we are dust.**
- <sup>15</sup> As for mortals, their days are like grass;  
they flourish like a flower of the field;
- <sup>16</sup> **for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.**
- <sup>17</sup> But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to  
everlasting  
on those who fear him,  
and his righteousness to children's children,

<sup>18</sup> **to those who keep his covenant  
and remember to do his commandments.**

<sup>19</sup> The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,  
and his kingdom rules over all.

<sup>20</sup> **Bless the LORD, O you his angels,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding,  
obedient to his spoken word.**

<sup>21</sup> Bless the LORD, all his hosts,  
his ministers that do his will.

<sup>22</sup> **Bless the LORD, all his works,  
in all places of his dominion.**

**Bless the LORD, O my soul.**

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **We sing**

Noah built the most enormous boat  
that kept the birds and animals afloat.  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong,  
and Noah lived his life for him

Moses led his people through the sea  
taking them away from slavery.  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong,  
and Moses lived his life for him,

Oh thank you, oh thank you  
that all through history you were faithful.  
Thank you, oh thank you  
that you are just the same  
when it comes to me, when it comes to me.

David fought Goliath and he won;  
a humble shepherd boy became a king.  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong,  
and David lived his life for him.

Daniel was inside a lion's den,  
but God brought him to safety once again.  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong,  
and Daniel lived his life for him.

Jesus died to take away our sin  
so we could get to know our God again.  
The Lord is good, the Lord is strong  
and we will live our lives for him.

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## **We listen to the Bible**

*Matthew 18:21-35*

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

<sup>23</sup> “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup> When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup> and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ <sup>29</sup> Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ <sup>30</sup> But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup> Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Churchyard Recording**

### **We think about what God is saying**

#### **We affirm our faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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.**

#### **We pray together**

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer**

#### **We say the Lord’s Prayer**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,  
so in faith and trust we pray:

**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 for ever.  
Amen.**

### **We share news and notices**

#### **We sing**

- 1 We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for all throughout the earth ;  
the gospel of a Saviour’s name :  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.
- 2 Tell of his birth at Bethlehem  
not in a royal house or hall  
but in a stable dark and dim,  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.
- 3 Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save,  
in lonely suffering on the cross ;  
for all he loved his life he gave.
- 4 Tell of that glorious Easter morn :  
empty the tomb, for he was free.  
He broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.
- 5 Tell of his reign at God’s right hand,  
by all creation glorified.  
He sends his Spirit on his church to live for him,  
the Lamb who died.
- 6 Now we rejoice to name him King :  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel-message we proclaim :  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

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**The peace of the Lord be always with you  
and also with you.**

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