

St Matthew's – Morning Praise

10.45am Sunday 18th July 2021

Service Leader: Rev Jim Trood

Preacher: Mrs Isabel Butterfield

Theme: 8. James – Patience in Prayer

Welcome back to St. Matthew's 10.45am service. Sadly, we are still under some restrictions so please: - Wear a mask - Social distance - Sanitise your hands on the way into church - Do not sing. Children's Church leave for their groups at the relevant point in the service, returning at about 11.45am. As we are unable to take an offering, please place any financial gifts in the collection box at the back, use the contactless machine or donate via the church website.

Welcome, notices and Banns

Lord, speak to us

that we may hear your word.

Move among us

that we may behold your glory.

Receive our prayers

that we may learn to trust you.

Amen.

Song – What kind of man is this?



Saying Sorry

We have not always worshipped God, our creator. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We have not always followed Christ, our Saviour. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We have not always trusted in the Spirit, our guide. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Keep fit with Rev Jim – Our God is a great big God



Prayers

Response Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

At the end Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen



Collect for this Sunday.

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Hymn – Rock of Ages

1st Bible Reading: (Luke 2:22-38
pg. 1028 in Church Bibles)

[at the end] This is the word of the Lord



Thanks be to God

2nd Bible Reading: (James 5:7-20
pg. 1216 in Church Bibles)

[at the end] This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon Mrs Isabel Butterfield

Short Reflection



Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his
followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe.
Amen.

Holy Communion

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us friends and families busy streets for young and old, the life of an earthly city fulfilled in your city to come.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your
glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change



us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so 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**

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**we proclaim the Lord's death until
he comes.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Spiritual Communion

I invite you to open your hands as a sign of openness to receiving God's grace, as we pray together

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus
Christ,
For all the benefits you have given
me,
For all the pains and insults you
have borne for me.**



Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

O merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
May I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

(Communion is received)

At this time of pandemic, communion will be received in one kind only. Latest guidance suggests, "Each communicant should extend their hands to receive Holy Communion, with face covering in place. They should then lower or unloop the face covering, consume the consecrated bread, and then replace the face covering before moving back to their place in the congregation."

Hand sanitising stations are available. Please maintain social distancing.

Prayer ministry is available in the side chapel.

Hymn – When the music fades



Response Hymn - God in my living

Collection

We now have an online giving platform to allow people to give more easily. You can access it at www.stmatthewswalsall.co.uk/give or use this QR code.



Collection Prayer



Blessing & Closing words

All our problems
we send to the cross of Jesus.
All our difficulties
we send to the cross of Jesus.
All the devil's works

we send to the cross of Jesus.

All our hopes
we set on the risen Christ;

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen.

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