

# St Matthew's 10.45am Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

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Preacher: Rev Jim Trood

Theme: Basic Discipleship 3 - Giving

**Welcome to St Matthew's.** Please join us for tea or coffee after this service. The children will be in church for the whole service which will last about an hour. If those with children would like to sit near the front, table activities are available.

Please place any financial gifts in the bags which will be passed around during our offertory song. If you prefer you may use the contactless machine at the back of church or donate via the church website.

## Welcome & Notices

### Opening Words

Through Christ let us offer our sacrifice of praise to God.

**Let our lips proclaim his praise.**

Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray.

Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Song

- **The splendour of the King**



### Saying Sorry (Confession)

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,

and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.



**God of mercy,  
we acknowledge that we are  
all sinners.**



**We turn from the wrong that we  
have thought and said  
and done,  
and are mindful of all that we have  
failed to do.**

**For the sake of Jesus, who died  
for us,  
forgive us for all that is past,  
and help us to live each day  
in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Forgiveness (Absolution)

Almighty God,  
who in Jesus Christ has given us  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive us our sins,  
open our eyes to God's truth,  
strengthen us to do God's will  
and give us the joy of his kingdom,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



### All Together Talk

#### Altogether Song

- **Let all creation sing**



#### Intercessions

*These responses may be used*  
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

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ  
our Lord. **Amen.**



## Lord's Prayer

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.**



## Bible Reading

– Psalm 148 p.633



*[at the end]*

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

## Song

- How great the chasm



## 1<sup>st</sup> Bible Reading

– Deuteronomy 15: 7-11



*[At the end]*

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

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Bible Reading

– Matthew 6: 1-4, 19-26



*[At the end]*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon



## Affirmation of 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.**

**Offertory Song** (*Collection*)  
- Be Thou my vision



## Offertory Prayer



## Blessing

Creator God,  
you give seed for us to sow,  
and bread for us to eat;  
make us thankful for what we  
have received  
and generous in supplying the  
needs of others  
so all the world may give you thanks  
and glory,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The almighty and merciful Lord,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless us and keep us.  
**Amen.**

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