

St Matthew's – All Together Worship

10.45am Sunday 2nd February 2025

Friends again! – Esau and Jacob are reconciled

Welcome to St Matthew's. Please join us for tea or coffee after this service. Today's service is an All Age Worship service which means the children will be in church for the whole service. The service will last about an hour. If those with children would like to sit near the front, there are table activities for during the talk for the younger children.

Please place any financial gifts in the bags which will be passed around during the 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

Why are we here?

We are here to worship God.

Why are we here?

We are here to hear from God.

Why are we here?

We are here to pray to God.

Song

- God so loved



Introduction

Saying Sorry

You made us to be one family,
yet we have divided humanity.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.



You were born a Jew to reconcile all
people, yet we have brought
disharmony amongst races.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You rejoice in our differences, yet
we make them a cause of enmity.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.



Forgiven

May almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to
save sinners, bring you his pardon
and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Song

- Here we are people of faith



Bible Retelling

*An edited account of the story of
Genesis 25 to 33.*



[At the end]

This is based
on the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Talk & Table Activities



Offertory and Credal Song

- We believe in God the Father

Offertory Prayer



Prayers

Response]

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.



Collect

Almighty God, who offers us reconciliation through Jesus, may we be agents of peace so others may also be reconciled to each other and with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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.**



Take Home & Song

- Before the throne of God above



Bible Reading:

- 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

[At the end]

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Peace

God has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Sung Blessing

- The Lord bless you



Blessing

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

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

