Order of Service

Sunday Evening
8 November 2026
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LONDON CITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Live Translation

Call to Worship

Song of Adoration

Immortal, Invisible[1]

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might:
Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small.
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.
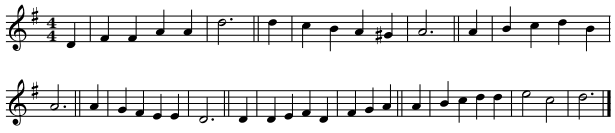
Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render, O help us to see:
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

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Prayer of Adoration

Song of Confession

Psalm 19:7-14 *Tune: 188 St John*



7 The perfect law of God
Revives the soul of man;
His statutes which are sure
Make wise the simple one.
8 The precepts of the Lord are right
And fill the heart with great delight.
God's radiant commands
Shed light on what we see;
9 The fear of God is pure
And lasts eternally.
The standards of the Lord express
His perfect truth and righteousness.

10 Of far more worth than gold—
Than much pure gold—they are;
Than honey from the comb,
Than honey sweeter far.
11 They warn the servant of the Lord;
In keeping them is great reward.

12 Who can discern his faults?
Forgive my hidden sin.
13 Keep me from wilful deeds;
May they not rule within.
And then I shall be free from blame
And guiltless of transgression's shame.

14 Lord, let the words I speak
Be pleasing in your sight,
And may my inmost thoughts
Be in your judgment right.
O Lord, you are a Rock to me;
You have redeemed and set me free.

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed *(communal reading)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
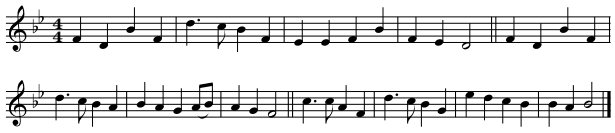
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

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Offering

Psalm 117 *Tune: 244 Regent Square*
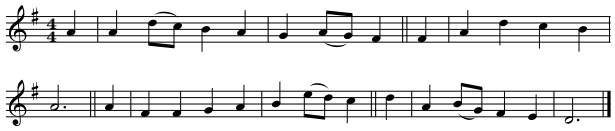


1 Praise the Lord, O all you nations;
all you peoples, sing his praise.
2 For his love is great towards us;
his commitment lasts always.
He is faithful now and ever.
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Pastoral Prayer

Song of Thanksgiving

Psalm 125 (Scottish Psalter) *Tune: 66 Jackson (Byzantium)*



1 They in the Lord that firmly trust
shall be like Zion hill,
Which at no time can be removed,
but standeth ever still.

2 As round about Jerusalem
the mountains stand alway,
The Lord his folk doth compass so,
from henceforth and for aye.

3 For ill men's rod upon the lot
of just men shall not lie;
Lest righteous men stretch forth their hands
unto iniquity.

4 Do thou to all those that be good
thy goodness, Lord, impart;
And do thou good to those that are
upright within their heart.

5 But as for such as turn aside
after their crooked way,
God shall lead forth with wicked men:
on Isr'el peace shall stay.

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 4:1-12

Sermon

Reasons Not to Lose Heart

Song of Response

God Is Working This Purpose Out[2]

God is working this purpose out,
as year succeeds to year;
God is working this purpose out,
and the time is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be:
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west,
where human feet have trod,
by the mouth of many messengers
goes forth the voice of God:
"Give ear to me, ye continents,
ye isles, give ear to me,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea."

Let us go forth in the strength of God,
with the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world.
Let us all fight with sorrow and sin
to set the captives free,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

Benediction

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