

## **Welcome** to Penicuik: St Mungo's Parish Church online



Tonight's service should have taken place in St Mungo's, but of course, at this time, none of us is able to attend church. This act of worship has been prepared to allow us all to spend a few minutes with God, knowing that others are sharing in it.

It is for you to use as you are able: some of you may wish simply to read it, whether silently or aloud. Others may wish to listen, or perhaps join in with the singing, in which case click on the links. Alternatively, you can find the whole service by opening tonight's link on St Mungo's website.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

### **WELCOME and OPENING**

On this day our Lord returned from Bethany to Jerusalem.

He taught in the Temple. He met and defeated the arguments of those who stood against him, seeking to trap him. He told the parables of the Tenants in the Vineyard, the Two Sons and the Wedding Feast. He foretold the destruction of Jerusalem and described the Final Judgement.

### **SCRIPTURE SENTENCE**

The word of God is alive and active.

It cuts more keenly than any two-edged sword.

*Hebrews 4: 12*

### **HYMN Thy word is a lamp unto my feet**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bkQogHbUAYg>

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet*

*and a light unto my path;*

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet*

*and a light unto my path.*

**1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,**

**still you're there right beside me:**

**and nothing will I fear**

**as long as you are near.**

**Please be near me to the end.**

*Refrain*

**2. I will not forget your love for me—and yet  
my heart for ever is wandering:**

**Jesus, be my guide**

**and hold me to your side.**

**And I will love you to the end.**

*Refrain*

Amy Grant (born 1960) © Meadowgreen Music Co./EMI Christian Music.

## **PRAYER**

**God our Father,**

search us and know our hearts;

test us and know our anxious thoughts;

keep us from following the wrong way,

and lead us in the way of eternal life  
through Jesus, your Son.

We confess to you

that we've sinned against his warnings and commands;

we've sometimes doubted your goodness

and turned away from your truth.

Lead us into your light

to be restored and forgiven through Jesus.

Give us grace to welcome his teaching with a humble spirit,

and to be obedient to the truth.

Help us to pay attention to his warnings,

that we may be alert and ready for your coming,

and faithful in the work you've given us to do.

By the love and power of your cross

draw us to you in willing surrender.

Help us to follow you all the days of our life on earth,

that in the time of testing,

and in the hour of our death,

we may overcome by your power in us,

and stand before you with nothing to make us afraid,

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

**BIBLE READING:** John 12: 20-36

Jesus Predicts His Crucifixion

<sup>20</sup> Now some Greeks were among those who went up to worship at the festival. <sup>21</sup> So they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and requested of him, “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

<sup>23</sup> Jesus replied to them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains by itself. But if it dies, it produces much fruit. <sup>25</sup> The one who loves his life will lose it, and the one who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> If anyone serves me, he must follow me. Where I am, there my servant also will be. If anyone serves me, the Father will honour him. <sup>27</sup> Now my soul is troubled. What should I say—Father, save me from this hour? But that is why I came to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.”

Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.”<sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.”

<sup>30</sup> Jesus responded, “This voice came, not for me, but for you. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be cast out. <sup>32</sup> As for me, if I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself.”

<sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate what kind of death he was about to die.

<sup>34</sup> Then the crowd replied to him, “We have heard from the law that the Messiah will remain forever. So how can you say, ‘The Son of Man must be lifted up’? Who is this Son of Man?”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus answered, “The light will be with you only a little longer. Walk while you have the light so that darkness doesn’t overtake you. The one who walks in darkness doesn’t know where he’s going. <sup>36</sup> While you have the light, believe in the light so that you may become children of light.” Jesus said this, then went away and hid from them.

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**ADDRESS** Jordan Hope, Location Pastor, Destiny Church  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y4nHqLP8zTI&feature=youtu.be>

## **PRAYER**

**Lord**, we bring to you in prayer  
the people of India,  
particularly this church's partners  
in the Diocese of Eastern Himalaya  
and the Pastorate of Saontalpur.

Let them find in you support  
throughout the long days.

Help them in dealing with the isolation of lockdown  
and the practicalities of caring for each other.

Enable them to cast all their anxieties on you,  
because you care for them.

May we, together with them, still praise you  
and trust in your unfailing love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. **Amen**

**HYMN It is a thing most wonderful**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78DAvd2TXXs>

**1. It is a thing most wonderful,  
almost too wonderful to be,  
that God's own Son should come from heav'n,  
and die to save a child like me.**

**2. And yet I know that it is true:  
He chose a poor and humble lot,  
and wept and toiled and mourned and died  
for love of those who loved Him not.**

**4. I sometimes think about the cross,  
and shut my eyes, and try to see  
the cruel nails and crown of thorns,  
and Jesus crucified for me.**

6. It is most wonderful to know  
His love for me so free and sure;  
but 'tis more wonderful to see  
my love for him so faint and poor.

7. And yet I want to love Thee, Lord;  
O light the flame within my heart,  
and I will love Thee more and more,  
until I see Thee as Thou art.

*William Walsham How (1823-1897)*

## **BLESSING**

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