Welcome to Penicuik: St Mungo's Parish Church online

Sunday 8th November 2020



This act of worship has been prepared to allow us to spend some time with God, knowing that others are sharing in it.

We thank all the team involved in creating and distributing this service, and praise God for his unchanging character and unfailing love.

This order of service 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, and even join in with the singing: just click on the links.

If you want to join in the whole video service, follow the link https://youtu.be/KbaZLEjIGV4
or on our website: www.stmungos.freeuk.com.
If you would like to listen to just the sermon, readings and prayers, dial 01968 700121. There will be about 20 seconds' silence, after which the recording should start.



INTROIT: Be still, my soul

Watch video at: https://youtu.be/cpFwpCZquDg

Why are you downcast, O my soul, so full of fear where once was hope? Remember God still loves the world: be still, my soul.

Beneath the shadow of each storm, in all the sorrow and despair, Remember God still loves the world: be still, my soul.

Be still, my soul, trust in your God, his perfect ways, his endless love. Be still and know he reigns above the earth. Be still, my soul, be still, my soul.

In all your striving, find his peace, become a shining light of grace and show that God still loves the world: be still, my soul.

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WELCOME to St Mungo's. We're glad you can join us.

This year Remembrance Sunday is rather different. For safety reasons, we can't have everyone in the church, so we've invited local organisations to send representatives; we also can't have the Silver Band and all the standards presented at the beginning.

So, rather than try to replicate what we can't have, we've put together a different service from usual, with some things I'm sure you'll recognise. I hope it will give you an insight into how the congregation at St Mungo's worships week by week. Finally, we're joined on our YouTube channel by others who can't be here in person.

Let us worship God.

HYMN: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Watch video at https://youtu.be/iuLmDye 5ys

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him, still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Praise him! Praise him! glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes:
Praise him! Praise him!
widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him! praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847) (Based on Psalm 103); Sung at Paisley Abbey

PRAYER

The Psalmist says:

'Let all that I am praise the LORD;

may I never forget the good things he does for me.'

(Psalm 103:1)

Loving Lord, there is no end to the good things that you have done for us.

On this day, we remind ourselves that you have been 'our help in ages past' and 'our shelter from the stormy blast'.

On this day, we remember the courage and sacrifice of so many and give thanks for them.

We thank you for your faithfulness, made known to us in Jesus.

May we find in him, pardon for our wrongdoing and an enduring peace and confidence instead of past guilt.

May your presence go with us and guide us. Give us your strength for today and be our hope for the years to come.

We are very conscious today of the brokenness of our world and the pandemic many are battling. Lord, we need your help.

Speak to us today, encourage us, and help us to remember in the darkest times the truth of your promise that, in Christ, you will 'never leave us or forsake us.'

For your great faithfulness, O God, we praise you. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

Based on a prayer by the Rt Rev Dr Martin Fair, Moderator of the General Assembly.

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE (Please stand, if you are able.)

The Minister: They shall grow not old,

as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun,

and in the morning

we will remember them.

Congregation: We will remember them.

LAST POST AND LAMENT

TWO MINUTES' SILENCE

REVEILLE

HYMN: The God of Jacob is our strength (Psalm 46)

Listen to audio: https://youtu.be/0x9IX4LuoGU?list=PLUj7NZBv-mF8aKFs6k5UejqQnSmSt8Um

The God of Jacob is our strength, our help in times of trouble

Though mountains fall into the depths, though seas do rage and roar

Though earth and hills be shaken, we will not be afraid

The Lord Almighty is with us; our refuge, evermore.

There is a river bringing joy to the city of our God

The sacred house of God, Most High: it shall not be destroyed.

Though nations tremble, kingdoms fall; God thunders, earth dissolves

The Lord Almighty is with us; our refuge, evermore.

Oh, come and see what God has done: amazing things on earth

God breaks the bow, destroys the spear, and sets the shield on fire

"Be still and know that I am God - I rule o'er all the earth,"

The Lord Almighty is with us; our refuge, evermore.

Sung to 'The Dawning of the Day' (Fáinne Geal an Lae)

by Kiran Young Wimberly and The McGraths

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Psalm 121

A Song of Ascents.

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

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2 Corinthians 5: 1-10

New Living Translation

For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down (that is, when we die and leave this earthly body), we will have a house in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands. We grow weary in our present bodies, and we long to put on our heavenly bodies like new clothing. For we will put on heavenly bodies; we will not be spirits without bodies. While we live in these earthly bodies, we groan and sigh, but it's not that we want to die and get rid of these bodies that clothe us. Rather, we want to put on our new bodies so that these dying bodies will be swallowed up by life. God himself has prepared us for this, and as a guarantee he has given us his Holy Spirit.

So we are always confident, even though we know that as long as we live in these bodies we are not at home with the Lord. For we live by believing and not by seeing. Yes, we are fully confident, and we would rather be away from these earthly bodies, for then we will be at home with the Lord. So whether we are here in this body or away from this body, our goal is to please him. For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body.

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SHORT ADDRESS

PRAYERS FOR OTHER PEOPLE AND OURSELVES

God our Father, we remember that your Son said to his disciples: 'What I'm leaving with you is my peace, the kind of peace that only I can give. It isn't like the peace that this world can give. So don't be worried or afraid.'

(John 14: 27)

Grant us, we pray, the inner calm and confidence which Christ promised to those who follow him that we may take his healing message to a strife-torn world.

We pray for all who have been broken by war, for those who weep and for those who can no longer weep, for all who suffer the physical or mental scars of conflict. Help them to find the peace that Christ promised.

We pray for those who live in war-torn lands and for those who no longer have a homeland and live as refugees in makeshift camps, or must make a new home in a strange culture. Help them to find the peace that Christ promised.

Father we pray that you would hold us fast through all the evils of this world and that, at the last, we may enter the peace and joy of your kingdom through faith in Jesus, your Son, who taught us to pray, saying: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.

For thine is the kingdom,

HYMN: Everlasting Arms (lean hard)

Watch video at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1U5YsJ-FLSADIelvqaMKYel5sxl 1VRDf/view?usp=sharing

He lavishes grace as our burdens grow greater.

He sends us more strength as our labours increase.

To added afflictions, He offers more mercy.

To multiplied trials, He multiplies peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance, when our strength has failed and the day is half done, when we've reached the end of our earthly resources, our Father's full giving is only begun... our Father's full giving is only begun.

So lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean on the everlasting arms.

His love has no limits, His grace has no measure, His power has no boundary that's known unto men, for out of His infinite riches in Jesus he giveth and giveth, and giveth again... he giveth and giveth, and giveth again.

So lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean on the everlasting arms.

You lead me beside still waters.

Your goodness restores my soul.

I know that You'll never leave me.

I know that You won't let go.

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So lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean hard, lean hard, lean on the everlasting arms. Lean on the everlasting arms.

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THE BLESSING

May the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you, now and always. **Amen.**

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM (verse 1)

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God save our gracious Queen, long live our noble Queen; God save the Queen! Send her victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us: God save the Queen!

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Next week:

Jacob: reassurance from God (Genesis 43)