



Sunday 22 May 2022

For the service, you'll need a copy of this service sheet and a bible, and if you are joining us from home your computer or tablet connected to Emmanuel's website.

SONG

The splendour of the King clothed in majesty;
let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

*How great is our God!
Sing with me - how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God!*

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, three in one; Father, Spirit, Son.
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

Name above all names! Worthy of all praise!
My heart will sing: how great is our God!

WELCOME

SONG

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
creation's revealing Your majesty.
From the colours of fall to the fragrance of spring,
every creature unique in the song that it sings.
All exclaiming:

*Indescribable, uncontainable,
you placed the stars in the sky
and you know them by name: you are amazing, God.
All powerful, untameable;
awestruck, we fall to our knees
as we humbly proclaim: you are amazing, God.*

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go,
or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?
None can fathom:

*Indescribable, uncontainable,
you placed the stars in the sky
and you know them by name: you are amazing, God.
Incomparable, unchangeable,
you see the depths of my heart
and you love me the same. You are amazing, God.*

THANKSGIVING

To the parents

Do you acknowledge that Jesse is a gift of God's love and grace to you, and do you wish to give thanks to God and ask for his blessing?

*Simon & Sarah: **We do.***

All: God our creator, we thank you for the precious gift of family life, and for giving to Simon and Sarah, the gift of Jesse.

As we pray for him we thank you that we're known to you by name and loved by you from all eternity.

We thank you for Jesus Christ, who died and rose again to bring us eternal life. Amen.

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so we now ask God's blessing on Jesse.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for the gift of this child; surround him with your blessing, that he may know your love, be protected from evil, and know your goodness all of his days. May he learn to love all that is true, grow in wisdom and strength, and above all, in due time, come to know and love the Lord Jesus Christ. In his name we pray. **Amen.**

It says in Deuteronomy: *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.*

To the parents

Do you trust in God's promises in his Word, made to you and all who believe?

*Simon & Sarah: **We do.***

Will you live out the gospel in your home by bringing up Jesse in the training and instruction of the Lord, disciplining him and showing him grace, praying for him and teaching him to pray, and modeling for him a life lived for others in service of God and the gospel?

*Simon & Sarah: **With the help of God, we will.***

To the godparents

Will you partner with Simon and Sarah in their role as parents, encouraging them, holding them accountable, confronting their sin and praying for them? And will you commit to pray for Jesse, that he will grow to love Jesus and trust in him?

*Godparents: **With the help of God, we will.***

To the supporting friends, family and congregation.

Will you do all that you can to help and support this family?

All: With the help of God, we will.

BLESSING

May God the Father give to Simon and Sarah the grace to love and care for Jesse. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for his needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look kindly on you and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

SONG

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in you alone.
(I will trust, I will trust in you)
And I will trust in you alone,
(I will trust, I will trust in you)
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and He anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.

Our children and young people now go to groups.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

PRAYERS

SONG

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord most high.
Your hidden glory in creation,
Now revealed in You our Christ.

*What a beautiful name it is,
what a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, my king.
What a beautiful name it is
Nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus*

It was for Your sake that You came down
For the sake of Your good name.
Our sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now?

What a wonderful name it is...

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You.
You silenced the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring. The praise of Your glory,
for You are raised to life again.

You have no rival. You have no equal
now and forever God You reign
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory.
Yours is the name above all names!

*What a powerful name it is,
what a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, my king.
What a powerful name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful name it is, the name of Jesus (x3)*

BIBLE READING

Acts 12:1-19

BIBLE TALK

SONGS

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let kings before him fall,
his power and majesty proclaim
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all

Come crown him, moon and stars of night;
he made you, great and small.
Bright sun, praise him who gave you light
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs spurning pain,
who witnessed to his call.
Now sing your victory song again
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.

Let all who trust in Christ exclaim
in wonder, to recall
the one who bore our sin and shame,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.

Then in that final judgement hour
when all rebellions fall,
we'll rise in his triumphant power
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth,
with the power of His promise in their hearts
of a holy city built by God's own hand;
a place where peace and justice reign.

*We will stand as children of the promise.
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward,
till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the power to break the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
in the power of the Spirit to the lost,
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in every corner of the earth.

We will stand...

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the power of the gospel shall prevail.
For we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon His name.

CLOSING PRAYER