

**Sunday 2 December 2018, 9.15am**

*Countdown to Christmas*

**WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

Matthew Peachey & Jonnie Carter

**Living Lord, may you:  
meet with us that we may see your glory;  
speak to us that we may hear your word;  
receive our prayers that we may know your care. Amen.**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

Noah Simpson

**Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you,**  
we turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You,  
we long for You.  
'Cause when we see You  
we find strength to face the day,  
and in Your presence all our fears  
are washed away - washed away!

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You,  
we turn to You.  
In Your kingdom broken lives are made new,  
you make all things new.  
'Cause when we see You  
we find strength to face the day,  
and in Your presence all our fears  
are washed away - washed away!

*by Brenton Brown, Paul Baloche*

**Shine! From the inside out,**  
*that the world will see  
you live in me.*

You know me and you love me,  
you fill me, so send me

Bridge:  
Know me, love me, fill me, send me...

## **In my wrestling and in my doubts**

In my failures You won't walk out  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

2 In the silence You won't let go  
In the questions Your truth will hold  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

*My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness  
I will follow You oh  
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise  
You will carry me safe to shore  
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore*

*Crèche and Toddlers leave if they would like to*

**Reading** Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

This is the word of the Lord.

**TALK**

**PRAYERS**

3 I won't fear what tomorrow  
brings  
With each morning I'll rise and sing  
My God's love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled  
sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled  
sea

Bridge  
Fire before us  
You're the brightest  
You will lead us  
Through the storms (hey)  
(REPEAT 3X)

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**Thanks be to God.**

Sarah Covington

Bella Heselden, Mary Butler, Maddie Jennings.

## **Everlasting God,**

the years go by, but You're unchanging.  
In this fragile world,  
You are the only firm foundation.

### Pre-Chorus

Always loving, always true,  
always merciful and good, so good.

### Chorus

Yesterday, today, and forever,  
You are the same, You never change.  
Yesterday, today, and forever,  
You are faithful, and we will trust in You.  
We will trust in You.

### Verse 2

Uncreated One,  
You have no end and no beginning,  
Earthly powers fade,  
but there is no end to Your kingdom.

### Interlude

We will trust in You.  
We will trust in You, in You.

### Bridge

Yahweh, God unchanging;  
Yahweh, firm foundation.  
You are Yahweh, God unchanging;  
Yahweh, firm foundation.

### Ending

We will trust in You, faithful God.

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## CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive our sins:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,  
**so in faith and trust we pray:**

## COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death.

Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.

To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him.

On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:  
This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the  
cup, gave it and said:

This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he  
died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us  
and all the world.

This is our story

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened  
eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you  
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **THE 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.**

*Songs during communion*

**What kind of throne is a manger of hay,**

no majesty shown there, no dignity claimed,

for one who deserves to be

crowned and enthroned on our praise?

What kind of king is so modestly born,

when glory unmeasured is humble and small?

This is the hope of the world

and the true light of all.

*So I'll bow down to worship the humblest of kings  
and I'll bring him the best that I have;  
I'll say that I love him, and that I am his,  
and I'll give him the throne of my heart,  
I'll give him the throne of my heart.*

MEN: What kind of Saviour  
makes weakness his strength,  
in frailty depending on those he would save,  
and veiling the power  
that always belonged to his name?

WOMEN: What kind of child causes heaven to sing,  
with angels proclaiming the hope that he brings?

ALL: This is the glory of God,  
this is Jesus, the King.

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### **Your word is good it's ever faithful**

Worth more than gold the heart's delight  
Your word gives life to all who hear and obey  
Your word endures forever

2 Your word is true it never changes  
It formed the earth sustains it still  
Your word defends  
providing refuge and strength  
Your word endures forever

*Your word is a lamp unto my feet  
Your word is a light unto my path  
For your word is my hope  
it's my joy and my song  
Your word endures forever*

3 Your word transforms it lifts the humble  
Rebukes the proud protects the poor  
Your word discerns the mind and spirit of all  
Your word endures forever  
Your word endures forever

### Bridge

Your word is more than just letters on pages  
It's life and it's love and it's freedom for us  
Your word is more than just wisdom of ages  
Its treasures are endless it's always enough  
Your word is more than just stories of old  
It's the truth and the way and the story of love  
Your word is more than just breath into dust  
It's your Son as a man come to dwell here with us

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## **He's coming on the clouds**

Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

*Our God is the Lion*

*The Lion of Judah*

*He's roaring with power*

*And fighting our battles*

*And every knee will bow before Him*

*Our God is the Lamb*

*The Lamb that was slain*

*For the sins of the world*

*His blood breaks the chains*

*And every knee will bow*

*before the Lion and the Lamb*

*Every knee will bow before Him*

2 So open up the gates  
Make way before the King of kings  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Bridge

Who can stop the Lord Almighty

Who can stop the Lord (Almighty)

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Matt Simpson

**Father of all,**

**we give you thanks and praise,**

**that when we were still far off**

**you met us in your Son and brought us home.**

**Dying and living, he declared your love,**

**gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.**

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;**

**we who drink his cup bring life to others;**

**we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,**

**so we and all your children shall be free,**

**and the whole earth live to praise your name;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **NEWS**

## **Jesus is the name we honour;**

Jesus is the name we praise.

Majestic Name above all other names,  
the highest heaven and earth proclaim  
that Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify,  
we will lift him high,  
we will give him honour and praise.*

## **2. Jesus is the name we worship;**

Jesus is the name we trust.

He is the King above all other kings,  
let all creation stand and sing  
that Jesus is our God.

3. Jesus is the Father's splendour;  
Jesus is the Father's joy.  
He will return to reign in majesty,  
and every eye at last shall see  
that Jesus is our God.

*Phil Lawson Johnston  
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## **BLESSING**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**