

*Worship at a distance*  
*Welcome to Morning Praise*  
*Trinity 3 2021*

We have come to the city of the living God,  
to the heavenly Jerusalem,  
with thousands of angels in joyful assembly.

**Alleluia!**

We have come to God the judge of all,  
to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant.

**Alleluia!**

*We sing:*

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name;  
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have;  
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
and honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

*Charles Wesley*

*We say sorry to God*

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin  
and be faithful to Christ.  
As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,  
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

*Silence may be kept*

**God of mercy,  
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.  
We turn from the wrong that we have  
thought and said and done,  
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.  
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,  
forgive us for all that is past,  
and help us to live each day  
in the light of Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

May God the Father forgive you your sins  
and bring you to the joy of his eternal kingdom,  
where dust and ashes have no dominion.

**Amen.**

*We listen to our first reading from Psalm 107:23-32*

Some went out on the sea in ships;  
they were merchants on the mighty waters.  
They saw the works of the Lord,  
his wonderful deeds in the deep.  
For he spoke and stirred up a tempest  
that lifted high the waves.  
They mounted up to the heavens and went down to  
the depths;  
in their peril their courage melted away.  
They reeled and staggered like drunkards;  
they were at their wits' end.  
Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he brought them out of their distress.  
He stilled the storm to a whisper;  
the waves of the sea were hushed.  
They were glad when it grew calm,  
and he guided them to their desired haven.  
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love  
and his wonderful deeds for mankind.  
Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people  
and praise him in the council of the elders.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We sing*

I once was frightened of spiders  
I once was frightened of the dark;  
I once was frightened of many, many things,  
Especially things that bark. (*Woof!*)  
But now I'm asking Jesus  
To help these fears to go,  
'Cause I don't want them to be part of me,  
No, no, no, no, no!

I once was frightened by thunder,  
And frightened by lightning too;  
I once was frightened by many, many things  
That crashed and banged and blew.  
But now I'm asking Jesus  
To help these fears to go,  
'Cause I don't want them to be part of me,  
No, no, no, no, no.

*Ishmael*

*We listen to our second reading from Mark 4:35-end*

That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, 'Let us go over to the other side.' Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, 'Teacher, don't you care if we drown?'

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, 'Quiet! Be still!' Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, 'Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?'

They were terrified and asked each other, 'Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

*We listen to Ishmael's song: "Don't rock de boat"*

A little boat on the big, big sea  
Me and my Lord on Galilee  
A little cloud appeared in space  
A little rain dropped on my face

*I said, "Help me Lord I think I'm gonna drown"  
He said, "I'm in the boat and it won't go down",  
I'm in the boat and it won't go down,  
I'm in the boat and it won't go down.*

The rain it caused the winds to blow  
The little boat rocked to and fro  
Our Lord was nowhere to be seen  
He'd gone to sleep in the cabin

The rain and winds they caused a gale  
Water off the decks we had to bail.  
We could see no coastguard or lifeboat  
We could see no way we'd stay afloat

A little boat on the big, big sea  
It's now as calm as calm can be  
Our Lord told the weather to behave  
With Christ awake we're now all brave

*Ian Smale*

**Talk**

*We affirm our faith together*

Let us affirm our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God:  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

*We sing*

Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days,  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet, and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart: it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

*Frances R. Havergal*

### *Intercessions*

*These responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy

**hear our prayer**

*(or)*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The intercessions may end:*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### *The Collect*

God our Saviour,  
look on this wounded world  
in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace  
won for us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*We say together the Lord's Prayer:*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**

We are the body of Christ.

**By one Spirit we were baptised into one body.**

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

**We are bound by the love of Christ.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*We share the peace*

### *We sing*

Be bold, be strong  
For the Lord your God is with you.  
Be bold, be strong  
For the Lord your God is with you.

*I am not afraid, (No! No! No!)  
I am not dismayed, (Not me!)  
Because I'm walking in faith and victory.  
Come on and walk in faith and victory  
For the Lord your God is with you.*

Be cool, be calm  
For the Lord your God is with you. (x2)

Don't worry, be happy  
For the Lord your God is with you. (x2)

*We turn to our door or window as a sign of our  
sharing our faith in the world.*

*Then we say:*

**We go into the world, to walk in his light, to  
rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory.**

Now may the Lord of peace himself  
give you peace at all times and in every way.  
The Lord be with you all.  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**