

Immanuel, 16th May 2021

This service will include the closing of Christian Aid Week 2021

WELCOME BACK

Music

Call to worship: “Happy are those whose delight is in the law of the Lord” (Psalm 1)

HYMN: May the mind of Christ my Saviour. (Immanuel Celebration 70/40 – track 11)

May the mind of Christ my Saviour Live in me from day to day. By his love and power controlling All I do or say. May the word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour to hour; So that all may see I triumph On through His power May the peace of God my Father Rule my life in everything; That I may be calm to comfort Sick and sorrowing.	May the love of Jesus fill me As the waters fill the sea; Him exalting, self abasing; This is victory. May I run the race before me, Strong and brave to face the foe: Looking only unto Jesus As I onward go. Kate Wilkinson
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Prayer – From material prepared for Christian Aid Week. We close saying the Lord’s Prayer.

Bible Reading: John 17; 6-19

‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Collect Sanctifying God, your gift to us is one who overcame the system that enslaves and feeds upon the victim: send us to your world to speak the truth of peace, to stand with those who suffer, to show another way; through Jesus Christ, the life of all things. Amen

(Prayers for the Inclusive Church)

Reflection – In the world while not of the world

Soft Music

Dedication of the Offering

Prayer - Led by Wally Knight

Communion

Please take two cups. One with bread (which is gluten free) and one with the wine.

CLOSING HYMN How can I keep from singing. (I will not sing alone. Track 2) SP: 296

<p>My life flows on in endless song Above earth's lamentation. I catch the sweet, though far-off, hymn That hails a new creation.</p> <p><u>REFRAIN:</u> <i>No storm can shake my inmost calm While to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?</i></p> <p>Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?</p>	<p>What though the joys and comforts die? The Lord my Saviour liveth? What though the darkness round me close? Songs in the night he giveth.</p> <p>The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart. A fountain ever springing. All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?</p> <p>Words and melody: Robert Lowry</p>
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Blessing

Music

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