



# MORNING WORSHIP

## Gathering Worship

God speaks to us  
**in the riches of creation**

God speaks to us  
**in the stories of Jesus**

God speaks to us  
**in the lives of other people**

God speaks to us  
**in words and ways that we can understand**

God of fire and beauty **warm us**

God of peace and justice **disturb us**

God of wind and wonder **amaze us**

God of the past, present and future  
**kindle your love in our lives**

## Hymn - Come, now is the time to worship

*Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God  
Come*

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God  
One day ev'ry knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose you now

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One day ev'ry knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains for those,  
Who gladly choose you now

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives  
Willingly our knees will bow  
With all our hearts, oh, mind and strength  
We gladly choose you now

*Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Oh, come, just as you are before your God*

Come....  
Come  
Come, oh  
Come, oh  
Come  
Come, oh you nations  
Come, come and worship  
Oh, come (come and worship your maker!)

## Confession and Absolution

We have not always worshipped God, our Creator  
Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy.**

We have not always followed Christ, our Saviour  
Christ, have mercy  
**Christ, have mercy.**

We have not always trusted in the Spirit, our guide.  
Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy**

May the Father forgive us  
by the death of his Son  
and strengthen us  
to live in the power of the Spirit  
all our days.  
**Amen**

## Hymn - Blessed assurance

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine;  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending, bring for above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

*This is my story, this is my song...*

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Saviour am hoary and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long. (x2)*

## **Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen**



<sup>24</sup> He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup> but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away.

<sup>26</sup> So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well.

<sup>27</sup> And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’

<sup>28</sup> He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’

<sup>29</sup> But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup> Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

## **Jesus Explains the Parable of the Weeds**

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.”

<sup>37</sup> He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup> the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup> and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

<sup>40</sup> Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup> and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

For the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## Hymn - The Kingdom of God

- 1 The kingdom of God is justice and joy,  
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,  
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.
- 2 The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,  
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,  
and hope is awakened instead of despair.
- 3 The kingdom of God is challenge and choice,  
believe the good news, repent and rejoice.  
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,  
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.
- 4 God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,  
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;  
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,  
and all things cry glory to God all in all.

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## Reflection

## Hymn - Lord you search me and you know me

- 1 O God, you search me and you know me.  
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.  
When I walk or lie down you are before me:  
ever the maker and keeper of my days.
- 2 You know my resting and my rising.  
You discern my purpose from afar.  
And with love everlasting you besiege me:  
in ev'ry moment of life and death, you are.
- 3 Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,  
you have known its meaning through and through.  
You are with me, beyond my understanding:  
God of my present, my past and future, too.
- 4 Although your Spirit is upon me,  
still I search for shelter from your light.  
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:  
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.
- 5 For you created me and shaped me,  
gave me life within my mother's womb.  
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:  
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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## Prayers

Let us draw our prayers together with the prayer Jesus taught us:

**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**

## Hymn - Ye servants of God

Ye servants of God,  
your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad  
his wonderful Name;  
the Name all-victorious  
of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious;  
he 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,  
all honour and blessing,  
with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing  
and infinite love.

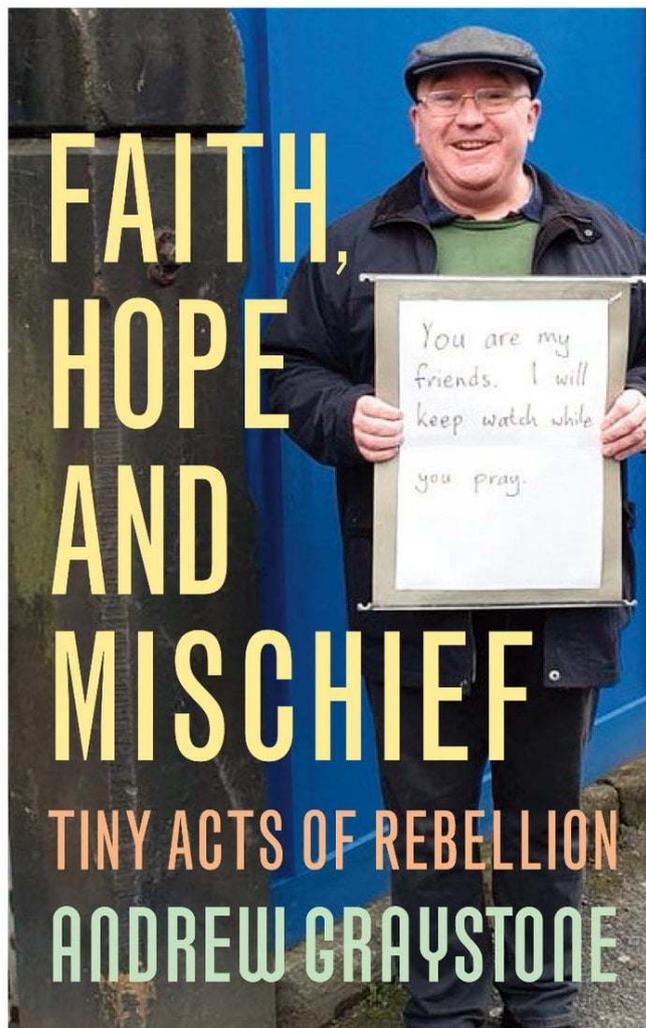
# Services this Week

Monday evening  
7.30 for 7.45 Compline

Wednesday morning in St Edmund's  
10am Eucharist

Thursday morning in Idlicote  
9.45 Morning Prayer

Thursday evening  
7.30 Faith, hope and Mischief



## The Blessing

May God our Father  
settle, establish and strengthen you in all faith,

May Jesus our brother  
walk with you on your journey,

May the Holy Spirit  
give you peace each day

and the blessing of God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
be with you today and always

**Amen**