

Morning Service

10.30am | April 26th 2020 | Second Sunday after Easter

Welcome: Paul Williams (Vicar)

Song: In Christ alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save:
till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied –
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.
There in the ground His body lay,

Light of the world by darkness slain:
then bursting forth in glorious Day
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
till He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Song: Mighty, mighty Saviour

No one is good,
no one is holy before God,
I need someone to cleanse me.
No one is pure,
no one is righteous in Your sight,
I need someone to save me.
But I'm so glad You died and rose again
for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are!
What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are!
You can wash away my sin,
You can change my heart within,
what a mighty, mighty Saviour You are!

Sin is too strong
for me to conquer on my own,
I need someone to help me.
I am too weak;
I cannot change my evil heart,
I need someone to save me.
But I'm so glad You died and rose again
for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty Saviour...

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Prayers: Susannah Williams

Song: Man of sorrows

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God,
by His own betrayed.
The sin of man and wrath of God
has been on Jesus laid.

Silent as He stood accused,
beaten, mocked and scorned.
Bowing to the Father's will,
He took a crown of thorns.

**Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation,
where Your love poured out over me.
Now my soul cries out, hallelujah,
praise and honour unto Thee.**

Sent of heaven, God's own Son
to purchase and redeem.
And reconcile the very ones
who nailed Him to that tree.

Oh, that rugged cross...

Now, my debt is paid, it is paid in full
by the precious blood that my Jesus spilled.
Now, the curse of sin has no hold on me.
Whom the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.

Oh, that rugged cross...

See the stone is rolled away,
behold the empty tomb.
Hallelujah, God be praised,
He's risen from the grave.

Oh, that rugged cross...

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Reading: John 20:10-18

¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes, ¹¹but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

¹⁵"Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).

¹⁷Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' "

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Sermon: 'The event that changed everything: A new relationship'
Paul Williams

Song: Here is love

Here is love, vast as the ocean
loving kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of life, our ransom
shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the Mount of Crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
poured incessant from above,
and heaven's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.

Here is love that conquered evil,
Christ, the firstborn from the grave;
death has failed to be found equal
to the life of Him who saves.
In the valley of our darkness
dawned His everlasting light;
perfect love in glorious radiance
has repelled death's hellish night.

Here is love vast as the heavens;
countless as the stars above
are the souls that He has ransomed,
precious daughters, treasured sons.
We are called to feast forever
on a love beyond our time;
Glorious Father, Son and Spirit,
now with man are intertwined.

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Closing prayer

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