



Order of Service for The Sunday After Ascension Day, May 16th, 2021 at 6:30pm

Welcome

We meet in the name of God
Father, Son and Holy Spirit

LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING

Joy of heaven to earth come down
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling
All Thy faithful mercies crown
Jesus Thou art all compassion
Pure unbounded love Thou art
Visit us with Thy salvation
Enter every trembling heart

2. Breathe O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast
Let us all in Thee inherit
Let us find Thy promised rest
Take away the love of sinning
Alpha and Omega be
End of faith as its beginning
Set our hearts at liberty

3. Come Almighty to deliver
Let us all Thy grace receive
Suddenly return and never
Never more Thy temples leave
Thee we would be always blessing
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing
Glory in Thy perfect love

4. Finish then Thy new creation
Pure and spotless let us be
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee
Changed from glory into glory
Till in heaven we take our place
Till we cast our crowns before Thee
Lost in wonder love and praise

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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

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*

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

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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Reading – James 1:19-27

Sermon – Tim Partridge

Confession

Leader:

Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double minded.

Father I'm sorry that I often respond to trials by refusing to listen to you and others around me. I'm often quick to speak and become angry easily.

Instead, help me to humbly accept your word that is planted deep inside me. Help me to get rid of moral filth and evil. Bring about a life of righteousness that will please you.

Father, I'm sorry for the times I have listened to your word and forgotten what I have heard. I have been like a person who looks in a mirror and forgets what they have seen.

Instead, help me to listen and do what your word says. Help me to gaze intently into your perfect law and be changed in my thoughts, words and actions. Thank you that your word gives freedom and brings blessing.

Father, you are a God of compassion and purity. Please help me to become more like you. Help me to look for those in need and provide what I can. Please keep me from becoming polluted by the world around me.

Leader:

God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Humble yourselves before the Lord and he will lift you up.

Prayers – Barbara Allan

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.

FROM HEAV'N YOU CAME HELPLESS BABE

Entered our world Your glory veiled
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

*This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving

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Final Prayer