

AMAZING GRACE HOW SWEET THE SOUND

That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

*My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Saviour has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun

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Final Prayer

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A Warm Welcome to St. Andrew's

28th January 2024 6:30pm Evening Service, The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany
Flick Murphy is leading and **Joe Dent** is preaching on **1 Kings 17:1-16**

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

"JESUS IS LORD," THE CRY THAT ECHOES THROUGH CREATION:

Resplendent pow'r, eternal Word, our Rock.
The Son of God,
The King, whose glory fills the heavens,
Yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord, Whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
Yet, in His wisdom, laid aside His crown.
Jesus, the man
Who washed our feet, who bore our suffering.
Became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord, The tomb is gloriously empty!
Not even death could crush this King of love!
The price is paid,
The chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,
And we can run into the arms of God.

"Jesus is Lord," A shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
As He returns, and every knee bows low.
Then every eye
And every heart will see His glory;
The judge of all will take His children home.

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Opening Prayer

**God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness:
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of sin
in our hearts. Transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

PRAISE THE LORD, HIS MERCY IS MORE.

*Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.*

What love could remember what wrong we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts
Not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we
constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest,
the poor.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment; His life was
the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could
never afford.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.*

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Confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Prayers

*Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.*

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.

SPEAK, O LORD, AS WE COME TO YOU

To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Reading– **1 Kings 17:-1-16 p 358**

This is the word of The Lord
Thanks be to God.

Sermon—Joe Dent