

Welcome & announcements:

Jesus - the name high over all,
in hell, or earth, or sky!
angels and men before it fall,
and devils fear and fly.

Jesus - the name to sinners dear,
the name to sinners given!
it scatters all their guilty fear,
it turns their hell to heaven.

Jesus - the prisoner's fetters breaks,
and bruises Satan's head;
power into strengthless souls it speaks,
and life into the dead.

O that the world might taste and see
the riches of His grace!
the arms of love that compass me
would all mankind embrace.

His righteousness alone I show,
His saving grace proclaim;
it's all my business here below
to cry: 'Behold the Lamb!'

Happy if with my latest breath
I might but gasp His name;
preach him to all, and cry in death:
'Behold, behold the Lamb!'

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Prayer:

Memory verse:

- Last week – Abram obeys.
- This week – fearful and foolish.

The Lord said to Abram: "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you... and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." Genesis 12:2-3.

My heart is filled with thankfulness

to Him who bore my pain;
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again;
who crushed my curse of sinfulness,
and clothed me in His light,
and wrote His law of righteousness
with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who walks beside;
who floods my weaknesses with strength
and causes fear to fly;
whose every promise is enough
for every step I take;
sustaining me with arms of love
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who reigns above;
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose every thought is love.
For every day I have on earth
is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow Him.

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Prayer:

Readings:

Hebrews 1v1-4

1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,
2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;
3 who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
4 having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

10v11-17

11 Every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.
12 But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,
13 from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool.
14 For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.
15 But the Holy Spirit also witnesses to us; for after He had said before,
16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them,"
17 then He adds, "their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."

Philippians 2v5-11

5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,
6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,
7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.
8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.
9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,
10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,
11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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 fulfil 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.

P.T.O.

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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Sermon: 'Jesus Christ – the Saviour we need.'

Mighty Christ from time eternal,
mighty, He man's nature takes,
mighty, when on Calvary dying,
mighty, death itself He breaks.
See His might, infinite,
King of heaven and earth by right!

Mighty was He in heaven's purpose,
mighty, in the pledge to save,
mighty, from His birth to Calvary,
mighty, bursting from the grave.
Still will He mighty be
when things hidden now we see.

Great my Jesus in His person,
great as God and man is He,
great His loveliness and beauty,
white and ruddy, fair to see.
Great that sight, sovereign Might,
throned secure on heaven's height!

Titus Lewis (1773-1811), tr. Graham Harrison (1935-2013)

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