

# Great Ayton, Newton & Stokesley Sunday Morning Worship

LENT 3

7 March 2021

## Welcome

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.



## Hymn

All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew.  
Me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown, he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.

God's great goodness aye endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light, and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore, from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty Giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand, at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.  
Christ doth call, one and all  
ye who follow shall not fall.

## Collect for Purity

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.  
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Lord God,  
we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.

Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Absolution

### Prayer for the Day

Eternal God,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### First Reading *1 Corinthians 1.18-25*

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

*'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'*

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

## Hymn

Fight the good fight with all thy might,  
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;  
lay hold on life, and it shall be  
thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,  
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;  
life with its way before us lies,  
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, upon thy guide  
lean, and his mercy will provide;  
lean, and the trusting soul shall prove  
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not nor fear, his arms are near,  
he changeth not, and thou art dear;  
only believe, and thou shalt see  
that Christ is all in all to thee.

### Gospel Reading *John 2: 13 - 22*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John

### Glory to you, O Lord.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins

of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Address** Rev'd Jon Dean

**The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God**, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ**, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit**, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

**Hymn (Sung Twice)**

Father God, I wonder how I managed to exist  
 Without the knowledge of Your parenthood  
 and Your loving Care.  
 But now I am Your child, I am adopted in Your family  
 And I can never be alone  
 'Cause Father God, You're there beside me  
 I will sing Your praises  
 I will sing Your praises,  
 For evermore.

**Prayers & The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn**

.For the healing of the nations,  
 Lord, we pray with one accord,  
 for a just and equal sharing  
 of the things that earth affords.  
 To a life of love in action  
 help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom,  
 from despair your world release,  
 that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
 all may come and go in peace.  
 Show us how through care and goodness  
 fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,  
 let it from the earth be banned:  
 pride of status, race or schooling,  
 dogmas that obscure your plan.  
 In our common quest for justice  
 may we hallow brief life's span.

You, Creator God, have written  
 your great name on humankind;  
 for our growing in your likeness  
 bring the life of Christ to mind;  
 that by our response and service  
 earth its destiny may find.

**Notices**



**You can watch the service HERE TODAY**

**1pm - 3pm Christ Church Open  
 5pm Eucharist at Stokesley**

**March Spire - Out Now!!**

Available on Church website or click image



**Christ Church APCM**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 We do need more people for the PCC  
 Could it be You?

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Stokesley**



**Great Ayton**

