

Sunday 7th May, 2023 11.00 am

The Third Sunday after Easter

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Welcome & Intimations

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn 132 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changest thee.
- 4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

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Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

All Age Address

Girls Brigade Hymn, Father in heaven in whom we are one

- 1 Father in Heaven in whom we are one,
Join us in love for ever through your Son
Teach us to serve each other day by day
And as we're learning, keep us in your way.
- 2 We see the badge, Lord, of. The Girl's Brigade,
Don't let its meaning from our memory fade
Help us daily always to be true
To your motto - serve and follow you.
- 3 The cross at the centre tells us that you live
The lamp leads us to you and the joy you give
The flame burning brightly kindles in our heart
The spark that you put there from the very start.
- 4 The crown speaks to us of triumph of our king
And now to you our lives we gladly bring
Take us and mould us, Saviour of the youth
That we forever seek to find the truth.

St John 14:1-14

All Age address

Hymn 530 One more step along the world I go

1 One more step along the world I go
One more step along the world I go
From the old things to the new
Keep me travelling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me travelling along with you

2 Round the corners of the world I turn
More and more about the world I learn
And the new things that I see
You'll be looking at along with me

And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me travelling along with you

3 As I travel through the bad and good
Keep me travelling the way I should
Where I see no way to go
You'll be telling me the way, I know

And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me traveling along with you

4 Give me courage when the world is rough
Keep me loving though the world is tough
Leap and sing in all I do
Keep me traveling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me travelling along with you

5 You are older than the world can be
You are younger than the life in me
Ever old and ever new
Keep me travelling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me travelling along with you

All Age Address

Presentation of Awards

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

**For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Hymn 737 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life

1 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift, or firm remain?
We have an anchor that keeps the soul

*steadfast and sure while the billows roll;
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold)

2 Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers roar and the reef is near?
While the surges rave, and the wild winds blow,
shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?
Chorus.

3 Will your anchor hold in the floods of death,
when the waters cold chill your latest breath?
On the rising tide you can never fail,
while your anchor holds within the veil.
Chorus.

4 Will your eyes behold through the morning light
the city of gold and the harbour bright?
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,
when life's storms are past for evermore?
Chorus.

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National Anthem

God save our gracious King
Long live our noble King
God save the King
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.