

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 11.00 am

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

### Hymn 555 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

- 1 Amazing grace - how sweet the sound -  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace first taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

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Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Reflection

### Hymn 163 Grace is when God gives us

1. Grace is when God gives us  
the things we don't deserve  
Grace is when God gives us  
the things we don't deserve  
He does it because He loves us  
he does it because He loves us  
Grace is when God gives us  
the things we don't deserve
2. Mercy is when God does not  
give us what we deserve  
Mercy is when God does not  
give us what we deserve  
He does it because He love us  
he does it because He love us  
Mercy is when God does not  
give us what we deserve

Paul Crouch (b.1963) and David Mudie (b.1961)

Romans 7:15-25a

St. Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

### Hymn 461 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
in a believer's ear;  
it soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,  
and drives away our fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole  
and calms the troubled breast;  
'tis manna to the hungry soul,  
and to the weary rest.

3 Dear name, the rock on which I build,  
my shield and hiding-place,  
my never-failing treasury, filled  
with boundless stores of grace.

4 Jesus, my Shepherd, Husband, friend,  
My Prophet, Priest, and King,  
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
Accept the praise I bring

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought,  
but when I see thee as thou art,  
I'll praise thee as I ought.

5 Till then I would thy love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of thy name  
refresh my soul in death.

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### **Sermon**

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 547 What a friend we have in Jesus,**

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
what a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
Oh what peace we often forfeit,  
Oh what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations,  
is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Jesus only is our refuge:  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer;  
in his arms he'll take and shield you,  
you will find a solace there.

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### **Benediction**

**Choral Amen (3-fold)**