

St Simon Zelotes



MORNING PRAYER ONLINE

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10.00am

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Welcome

Hymn

Crown him with many crowns

(Children in Year 6 and under leave for Sunday School and Crèche during this hymn)

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| 1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity. | 3 Crown Him the Lord of peace,
whose pow'r a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet. |
| 2 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends each burning eye
at mysteries so bright. | 4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity. |

Matthew Bridges (1800-1894); CCLI Licence No. 1891688

Sentence of Scripture

Exhortation



Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

Absolution

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 trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Responses

O Lord, open thou our lips.

All: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Please stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

All: The Lord's name be praised.

(Children in Years 7 to 9 leave for Youth Group)



First reading: Exodus 16:10-16, 31-35

¹⁰ While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked towards the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

¹¹ The LORD said to Moses, ¹² 'I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, "At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God."' "

¹³ That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. ¹⁶ This is what the LORD has commanded: "Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.' "

³¹ The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey. ³² Moses said, 'This is what the LORD has commanded: "Take an omer of manna and keep it for the generations to come, so they can see the bread I gave you to eat in the wilderness when I brought you out of Egypt.' "

³³ So Moses said to Aaron, 'Take a jar and put an omer of manna in it. Then place it before the LORD to be kept for the generations to come.'

³⁴ As the LORD commanded Moses, Aaron put the manna with the tablets of the covenant law, that it might be preserved. ³⁵ The Israelites ate manna for forty years, until they came to a land that was settled; they ate manna until they reached the border of Canaan.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Second reading: Revelation 2:12-17

¹² 'To the angel of the church in Pergamum write:

These are the words of him who has the sharp, double-edged sword. ¹³ I know where you live – where Satan has his throne. Yet you remain true to my name. You did not renounce your faith in me, not even in the days of Antipas, my faithful witness, who was put to death in your city – where Satan lives.

¹⁴ Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: there are some among you who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin so that they ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality. ¹⁵ Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. ¹⁶ Repent therefore! Otherwise, I will soon come to you and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

¹⁷ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Choir: Jubilate

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
 serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.
 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
 and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.
 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting,
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning
 is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.

Words: Psalm 100. Music: Herbert Howells
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The Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholick Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Responses

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

All: And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.

All: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

All: And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

All: And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

All: Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

All: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Morning Collects

Anthem

Teach me, O Lord

Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes,
and I will keep it unto the end.

Words: Psalm 119:33. Music: Thomas Attwood.
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Intercessions

Notices



Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is

1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
and he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living waters flow
my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight,
thy unction grace bestoweth:
and O what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
thy goodness faileth never;
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877) based on Psalm 23.
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Sermon

Revelation 2:12-17

'A letter on truth'

Joe Ammoun

Hymn

The Church's one foundation

We take a collection during this hymn. People give in a variety of ways. Some may not be in a position to give. Please pass the plate on if that is appropriate for you. If you are a taxpayer, please use one of the Gift Aid envelopes in your pew, completing the information on the front. You can also give using the card reader located at the back of the church.

1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation,
by water and the word;
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the Earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.



3 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

4 Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

Samuel J Stone (1839-1900); CCLI Licence No. 1891688

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Notices

Remembrance Sunday Service - 9 November - 10.45 am

On Remembrance Sunday we have a special service to remember those who gave their lives, and to reflect on the tragedy of war and the promises of Christ. Please note that the service **starts at the later time of 10.45am.**

Happy Home Presentation

We will give our annual presentation on the Happy Home **after the morning service on Sunday 16 November.** This charity in Tamil Nadu, India was set up by a Christian minister and his family to provide lodgings, food, clothing and education for poor or orphaned children. Currently there are over 200 children being cared for by the Happy Home. Support from St Simons has been mainly based on a family or an individual agreeing to sponsor a particular child with an annual contribution.

Church Supper and Guest Service – Sunday 16 November

On Sunday 16 November there will be an informal church supper after the evening service. The whole church family and friends are invited. The service beforehand will include a talk aimed at those exploring or sceptical about Christian faith and will have guests particularly in mind. If you are able to bring food or wine, or be on the welcome team, please get in touch with Sophie at sophie.butterfield@ssz.org.uk.

Women's breakfast - Saturday 22 November 10am-11.30am

On Saturday 22 November we will be hosting a Women's Breakfast in the church building. It will be an opportunity for women from both congregations to come together to encourage one another. There will be coffee and pastries, an interview with our Church Warden, Susan Wajih, speaking about how she came to faith and the impact it has had on her life, and discussion time. Babies in arms are very welcome but unfortunately we cannot provide childcare. For more details, and to signal an interest in coming, please get in touch with Liv Jani at ministrytrainee@ssz.org.uk

Weekly email

Associate Vicar Joe Ammoun sends out a weekly email letter each Wednesday with church family news and a short reflection. If you don't currently receive this but would like to, please get in touch with Gloria at gloria.skelsey@ssz.org.uk.