



Welcome – Philip Sudell

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

*Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the one who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?
Behold our God seated on His throne...

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign
Behold our God seated on His throne...

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Peace

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ,
there is a new creation. The old has passed
away: behold, everything has become new.
The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Church Family News

Reading: Romans 4:1-25 p1131

What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, discovered in this matter? ²If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about – but not before God. ³What does Scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.' ⁴Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. ⁵However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness. ⁶David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works: ⁷'Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. ⁸Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord will never count against them.' ⁹Is this blessedness only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? We have been saying that Abraham's faith was credited to him as righteousness. ¹⁰Under what circumstances was it credited? Was it after he was circumcised, or before? It was not after, but before! ¹¹And he received circumcision as a sign, a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. So then, he is the father of all who believe but have not been circumcised, in order that righteousness might be credited to them. ¹²And he is then also the father of the circumcised who not only are circumcised but who also follow in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised. ¹³It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. ¹⁴For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, ¹⁵because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression. ¹⁶Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring – not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. ¹⁷As it is written: 'I have made you a father of many nations.' He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed – the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were

not. ¹⁸Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.' ¹⁹Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead – since he was about a hundred years old – and that Sarah's womb was also dead. ²⁰Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. ²²This is why 'it was credited to him as righteousness.' ²³The words 'it was credited to him' were written not for him alone, ²⁴but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness – for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

What is our hope in life and death

Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand
What comes apart from His command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ
O sing hallelujah...

Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord

Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore
O sing hallelujah...

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Children leave for Grace Gang

Talk: Philip Sudell

Romans: "...not ashamed!"

Faith – always God's way

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us: and we remember:
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
Torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings
us life,
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith
We rise to respond: and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King

Confession

Almighty and most merciful father, we have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a disciplined, righteous and godly life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us, Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communion



Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

From the breaking of the dawn

To the setting of the sun
I will stand on every promise of Your word
Words of power strong to save
That will never pass away
I will stand on every promise of Your word
For Your covenant is sure
And on this I am secure
I can stand on every promise of Your word

When I stumble and I sin
Condemnation pressing in
I will stand on every promise of Your word
You are faithful to forgive
That in freedom I might live
So I stand on every promise of Your word
Guilt to innocence restored
You remember sins no more
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word

When I'm faced with anguished choice
I will listen for Your voice
And I'll stand on every promise of Your word
Through this dark and troubled land
You will guide me with your hand
As I stand on every promise of Your word
And you've promised to complete
Every work begun in me
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word

Hope that lifts me from despair
Love that casts out every fear
As I stand on every promise of Your word
Not forsaken not alone
For the Comforter has come
And I stand on every promise of Your word
Grace sufficient grace for me
Grace for all who will believe
We will stand on every promise of Your word.

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Final Prayer

Please stay around to chat after
the service over coffee/tea
through in the hall



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The week ahead

Sun 14 th	9.30am 11am After services	Holy Communion Morning Service Discipleship Lunch
Mon 15 th	7.45 for 8pm	PCC Meeting
Tues 16 th	9:45-11am 8pm	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups meet
Wed 17 th	8pm-9pm	Discipleship Training Repeat - Vicarage
Thurs 18 th	10-11.30am 12 noon 12-3pm 3.45-5pm 8pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall FAB Club @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups meet
Fri 19 th	7:15-8am	Friday Prayer @ 163 CHL
Sat 20 th	9am - 1pm	Gardening and Cleaning Morning
Sun 21 st	9.30am 11am After services	Holy Communion Morning Service LCM Visiting

Looking ahead

Cleaning/Gardening Morning on Sat Sept 20th - From 9.00am - 1pm Come and help inside and out!



Sunday 21st September - The London City Mission team will join us again and there will be an opportunity to be trained over lunch and do some street visiting afterwards

Midweek Groups

Still time to fill out the **Response Form** this **weekend** so that we can work out how best to serve people in groups this autumn - Please fill one out today in church or online, see link in weekly email.

"Grow North" - Women's Day Sat 4th October at St Peter's

Saturday 4th October here at St Peter's - Look out for the fliers in church

Autumn dates - more details to follow

Sat 13th Sept - Women's Brunch
 Sun 14th Sept - Discipleship Training Lunch
 Mon 15th Sept - PCC Meeting
 Wed 17th Sept - Discipleship Trg repeat
 Sat 20th Sept - Gardening and Cleaning Morning
 Sun 21st Sept - LCM Visiting after church
 Sun 27th Sept - Newcomers Welcome Lunch
 Sat 4th Oct - GROW NORTH
 Sun 5th Oct - Harvest Festival and Lunch
 Tues 7th Oct - 1st Tuesday Prayer
 Fri 10th Oct - World Day of Prayer Lunch
 Sat 11th Oct - Women's Brunch
 Sat 11th Oct - PCC Day Away
 Sun 12th Oct - Discipleship Training Lunch
 Wed 15th Oct - Discipleship Trg repeat
 Tues 4th Nov - 1st Tuesday Prayer
 Fri 7th/14th Nov - Outreach Event tbc
 Sat 8th Nov - Women's Brunch
 Sun 9th Nov - Discipleship Training Lunch
 Wed 12th Nov - Discipleship Trg repeat
 Sun 16th Nov - Newcomers Welcome Lunch
 Mon 17th Nov - PCC Meeting
 Sat 22nd Nov - Christmas Fair and Fun Day
 Fri 28th Nov - Women's Outreach Event
 Tues 2nd Dec - 1st Tuesday Prayer
 Sat 13th Dec - Women's Brunch
 Sun 14th Dec - Christingle
 Sun 21st Dec - Carol Services