

GROOMSPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ONLINE ORDER OF SERVICE
Sunday 11th October 2020
Conducted by Rev. Paul Dalzell
Organist/Pianist: Mr John Ekin

Piano Prelude May the fragrance of Jesus fill this place – Kendrick

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Now thank we all our God (Falmer)

Scripture Sentences

Hymn 51 Come, you thankful people, come (St. George's, Windsor)

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| 1 Come, you thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home!
all is safely gathered in
now before the storms begin:
God our maker will provide
for our needs to be supplied;
come, with all His people, come,
raise the song of harvest home! | 3 For the Lord our God shall come
and shall bring His harvest home;
He Himself, on that great day,
worthless things shall take away,
give His angels charge at last
in the fire the weeds to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in His care for evermore. |
| 2 All the world is God's own field,
harvests for His praise to yield;
wheat and weeds together sown
here for joy or sorrow grown:
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear --
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be. | 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come --
bring Your final harvest home!
Gather all Your people in
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there together purified,
ever thankful at Your side --
come, with all Your angels, come,
bring that glorious harvest home! |

Henry Alford, 1810-1871

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Anthem (ladies' voices) Sing to the Lord of harvest - Catherwood Clarinet: Gillian McCutcheon

Scripture Reading Job 38:1-11, 25-30, 39-41

Praise 88 God, who made the earth (Beechwood)

1 God, who made the earth,
the air, the sky, the sea,
who gave the light its birth:
He cares for me.

2 God, who made the grass,
the flower, the fruit, the tree,
the day and night to pass:
He cares for me.

3 God, who made the sun,
the moon, the stars, is He
who, when life's clouds come on,
will care for me.

4 God, who made all things,
on earth, in air, in sea,
who changing seasons brings:
He cares for me.

5 God, who sent His Son
to die on Calvary,
He, if I lean on Him,
will care for me.

Sarah Betts Rhodes, 1829-1904

Mission Focus Dr Michael Steele

Prayer of Intercession

Anthem Ye servants of th'all bounteous Lord - Samuel Webbe

Praise 89 Great is Thy faithfulness (Faithfulness)

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
as Thou hast been Thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided --
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

Sermon God's Character

1 We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land;
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain;
the breezes and the sunshine
and soft refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above:
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all His love.*

2 He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star:
the winds and waves obey Him,
by Him the birds are fed;
much more, to us His children
He gives our daily bread.

3 We thank You, then, our Father,
for all things bright and good;
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food:
accept the gifts we offer
for all Your love imparts;
and that which You most welcome
our humble, thankful hearts!

Matthias Claudius, 1740-1815

translated Jane Montgomery Campbell, 1817-1878

Benediction and Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

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