



**GROOMSPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MORNING HARVEST ORDER OF SERVICE
Sunday 13th October 2024 at 11am
Conducted by Rev. Paul Dalzell
Organist: Mr John McIlwaine
& Pianist: Miss Gillian McCutcheon**



Organ Preludes

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Give to our God immortal praise

Scripture Sentence

PRAISE 17 verses 1-4 All creatures of our God and King

- 1 All creatures of our God and King
lift up your voice and with us sing
alleluia, alleluia.
O burning sun with golden beam,
and silver moon with softer gleam,

*O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

- 2 O rushing wind that is so strong,
and clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise Him, alleluia.
O rising morn, in praise rejoice,
and lights of evening, find a voice;

- 3 O flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
alleluia, alleluia.
O fire so masterful and bright,
giving to all both warmth and light,

- 4 Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfolds rich blessings on our way,
O praise Him, alleluia.
The flowers and fruits that bloom and grow,
let them His glory also show:

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Anthem For the beauty of the earth (John Rutter)

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 8:18-22

PRAISE 32 verses 1-6 O Lord of heaven and earth and sea

- 1 O Lord of heaven and earth and sea,
to You all praise and glory be,
who loved us from eternity
and gave us all.
- 2 The golden sunshine, gentle air,
sweet flowers and fruit, Your love declare;
when harvests ripen You are there --
You give us all.
- 3 For peaceful homes and healthful days,
for all the blessings earth displays,
we owe You thankfulness and praise --
You give us all.
- 4 Freely You gave Your only Son,
who on the cross salvation won;
and in the life through Him begun
You give us all.
- 5 You sent Your Spirit from above

as wind and fire and gentle dove;
and in His gifts of power and love
You gave us all.

- 6 For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
for means of grace and hopes of heaven,
to You, O Lord, what can be given?
You give us all.

Scripture Reading Luke 19:1-9 read by Audrey Thomas

Anthem Non Nobis, Domine (Not to us, O Lord) (Roger Quilter)

Mission Focus Dr Michael Steele

Prayer of Intercession

PRAISE 89 Great is thy 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!

SERMON The harvest is past

PRAISE 243 To God our great salvation (Aurelia)
(Girls and boys come in from Kidszone)

- 1 To God our great salvation
a triumph-song we raise,
with hymns of adoration
and everlasting praise.
That Name beyond all naming,
from age to age adored,
we lift on high, proclaiming
the greatness of the Lord.

- 2 Declare in song and story
the wonders we confess,
who hail the King of glory
the Lord our righteousness.
In loving kindness caring
His mercies stand displayed,
forgiving and forbearing
to all His hand has made.

- 3 His kingdom knows no ending,
enthroned in light sublime,
His sovereign power extending
beyond all space and time.
To us and all things living
He comes in word and deed,
forbearing and forgiving,
to meet us in our need.

4 The King of all creation
is near to those who call;
the God of our salvation
has stooped to save us all.
Lift high your hearts and voices,
His praises sound again;
in God His earth rejoices
for evermore. Amen!

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Talk with the girls & boys

PRAISE 60 We thank you, Lord, for all your gifts

1 We thank You, Lord, for all Your gifts
of sunshine warm, and showers of rain
that ripened all the lovely fruits
and fields of golden grain.

2 We thank You for the joy that comes
to us, when harvest gifts we bring --
that others, too, may know Your love,
which speaks through everything.

3 O give us loving, thankful hearts,
for all Your goodness, love and care;
and help us always to be glad
to give away and share.

Benediction & Choral Amen

Announcements

Kidszone Rota

TODAY & 20th October – Joyce Currie and Louise Milliken

Porch Duty Rota

TODAY & 20th October – Ivan and Pat Crawford

Our guest preacher for **our Harvest Service tonight** is Rev Elliot Swattridge.

After the service, the congregation is invited over to our church hall where light refreshments will be served. We would request that Elders remain behind to collect gifts for distribution before going over to the church hall.

PW starts the year tomorrow night, Monday 14th October at 7.30pm when our stars will be Pat and Paul Miller. Hope to see you there.

Wednesday Private Prayer:- Our church is open for private prayer and quiet reflection every Wednesday morning. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact our minister Rev. Paul Dalzell or leave a message with our church secretary.

Storehouse:- There is currently a particular need for tinned meats and sweetcorn, long life milk, jam, size 7 nappies and shampoo. Your continued kindness is much appreciated.

'Wednesday Welcome':- The Hub is open on a Wednesday morning from 10:30 to 12 noon. Anyone is welcome to call in, a warm welcome is assured.

Bible Characters & Their Prayers

Prayer & Bible Study – Continues this Wednesday at 7.30pm. Over a series

of 4 Wednesday evenings, we will consider different aspects of prayer as seen in Abraham, Moses, Nehemiah and Daniel.

If you would like to attend you will be made very welcome as we explore God's Word and share together.

Operation Christmas Child – This is an invitation to anyone, men and women, who would like to cover a shoe box for 'The

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child Appeal' but is not sure just how to decorate their empty box.

Come along this **Thursday 17th October at 10.30am** with as many shoe boxes as you can, and if you have some spare Christmas paper, bring it along too.

We can work together and have a chat and cup of tea or coffee while decorating the boxes. Some of them we can use ourselves and some can be left in the church for others to fill. All the boxes will be collected by the end of October.

Do come along on Thursday 17th for a fun morning.

Something New! - Pickleball. This is a new and increasingly popular racquet sport for all ages and can be played at a pace to suit yourself. We have started a new group in the Walter Nelson Hall on Thursday afternoon, 2-4 p.m. If you would like to learn more and see if this is for you, please come along on Thursday. Suitable footwear is recommended. Spectators also welcome - no pressure!

Hobby Hub also continues this Thursday, 2-4pm in the Hub.

This is an opportunity for fun and fellowship while sharing interests and skills in a safe and relaxed setting. Please come along and support this new venture.

Feel free to invite family and friends. We pray this will evolve and grow in the coming months.

Choir Practice continues this Thursday at 7.30pm.

Festival Brass is presenting a musical evening this Friday 18th October in Bangor Parish Church, Hamilton Road. Tickets are free from Mary Cargill – Telephone 028 9147 4098.

Saturday Coffee Morning: Our coffee mornings are continuing to be held in The Hub every Saturday from 10:30 - 12 noon. Come and enjoy tea/coffee and scones and bring your friends! Specialty coffees are also available from our new dispensing machine in the foyer.

A Right Royal Afternoon Tea – Hosted by the Mission Committee in the Archie Agnew Room this Saturday 19th October at 2:30 p.m. Our guest Speaker is Rev. Derek Kerr who is a renowned royal enthusiast and entertaining speaker. Proceeds will be in aid of 'Open Doors' supporting persecuted Christians around the world. There are a few remaining tickets available from members of the mission committee or church office - Price £10.

Next Sunday 20th October, 11.00am – **Guides and Boys Brigade Service**

Also, **Dr Pam Saturnia will be visiting us** with a group from Muscatine Presbyterian Church, USA

The **next Congregational Committee Meeting** will take place on Monday 21st October, at 7.30pm in the Archie Agnew Hall. This will be the first meeting of the newly appointed Committee, and a good attendance is encouraged.

Sunday 27th October, 11.00am – **special guests, PCI Missionaries Stephen and Angelina Cowan**

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Church Office Telephone: 9146 2552
Office Hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 8.45am – 2.45pm
Friday: 8.45am – 1.45pm