



SERVICE OUTLINE SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2020

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Call to Worship

O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker and give Him alone, honour and praise. For He is our God and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His land. Jesus said, "Sheep hear the shepherd's voice, he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out....The Shepherd goes before the sheep and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow the voice of a stranger....My sheep hear My voice, and I know them and they follow Me.

'Ka inoi tatou ki te Atua, nana nei i homai te ora'.

Let us pray to God who gives us life.

Almighty God, You are Great and High and Holy. We bow our hearts before You - the One who is not only our Good Shepherd, but our Lord and everlasting King. All praise, love, loyalty and obedience be unto You, O God, as we seek to worship You in unusual circumstances but yet in Spirit and in Truth. Bless us in our time of worship as we pray in the Name of Yeshua, Jesus our Saviour and Lord.

Let us join together and sing [HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS SOUNDS IN A BELIEVER'S EAR](#)

READING 1 CHRON. 16 : 8 – 28, 34 (NIV)

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

⁹ *Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.*

¹⁰ *Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.*

¹¹ *Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.*

¹² *Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,*

¹³ *you his servants, the descendants of Israel, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.*

¹⁴ *He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.*

¹⁵ *He remembers^[d] his covenant forever, the promise he made, for a thousand generations,*

¹⁶ *the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac.*

¹⁷ *He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, to Israel as an everlasting covenant:*

¹⁸ *"To you I will give the land of Canaan as the portion you will inherit."*

¹⁹ *When they were but few in number, few indeed, and strangers in it,*

²⁰ *they^[d] wandered from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another.*

²¹ *He allowed no one to oppress them; for their sake he rebuked kings:*

²² *"Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm."*

²³ Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day.

²⁴ Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous deeds among all peoples.

²⁵ For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

²⁶ For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

²⁷ Splendour and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his dwelling place.

²⁸ Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

³⁴ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

Almighty God, You are immortal, invisible and the only wise and eternal God. You O God have created all things and You alone are the Sustainer of all things. You have given us, Your created beings, the hearts and minds to be able to rejoice in Your creation. Most of all we thank You O God, for the amazing gift You have sent to a fallen world - the Lord Jesus Christ, who became a man of flesh and blood to interconnect with us - mere mortals in a fallen world.

We thank You O Lord, for Your redeeming love, shown to us in paying the penalty of our sinfulness on the cross and rising again from the dead, giving us hope in the eternal life to come - promised to all those who are in You and who look forward to and will love Your appearing.

Forgive us we pray for those things we have thought, said and done which have grieved You. Forgive us if we have been grumblers, complainers, or just simply bad-tempered, being ungrateful or ungracious to those around us - especially during this testing time of 'lock-down'. May we, O Lord in the coming weeks, renew our faith and trust in You, as we seek to be the people You really want us to be.

In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

Let us again sing together

[LORD I COME TO YOU, LET MY HEART BE CHANGED, RENEWED.](#)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

O Lord, You are the Good Shepherd - the One who tends, feeds, leads, guides, protects and especially cherishes the sheep. We give You our thanks for watching over us as individuals, as a church and as a country during this continuing time of pandemic. We humbly pray for the thousands around the world who are mourning the loss of relatives and friends through this time. We pray for those who have contracted Covid 19 and are desperately wondering where it will lead. We pray for the doctors and nurses and front-line workers risking their own lives to help others. We pray that world-wide, people will raise their heads from their plight, to see the One who is willing to come alongside and heal physically and spiritually. May Your Kingdom grow exponentially through this difficult time and may Your Kingdom and Your Will eventually be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

We pray for those in our Fellowship who need special healing and help at this time: Amal Babahami, Marie and Jim Clark, Nelli Gorobets, Maurice Bartlett, Frank Corin, and Pat Jagger. We pray for guidance and wisdom for our Leadership Team as it considers the future nature of our Church and the calling of a Pastor.

Give us all understanding and wisdom we pray, as we approach the coming Election 2020. As we look at the daily disasters of all sorts around the world, our hope and prayer is 'Maranatha' come quickly Lord Jesus. May we be among those looking up and ready in anticipation of Your coming. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SING [THERE IS NO LOVE LIKE THE LOVE OF JESUS](#)

READING John 8: 1-11 (NIV)

8 ¹ *but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.*

² *At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them.* ³ *The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group* ⁴ *and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.* ⁵ *In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?"* ⁶ *They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.*

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. ⁷ *When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."* ⁸ *Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.* ⁹ *At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.* ¹⁰ *Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"*

¹¹ *"No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."*

We are blessed to have our Faith **let us sing** [MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS.](#)

SERMON: Rodney Duncan. [Jesus' character revealed](#)

Join to sing or listen to [SUCH LOVE, PURE AS THE WHITEST SNOW.](#)

Benediction

Go in peace, into a darkening world, as a light bearer.

May God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit preserve and keep you this day, this coming week and forever.

Amen.

Blessings.