#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Voluntary:

Chorale Preludes on "Diess sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot", BWVs 678 & 679 J S Bach

Introit:

The Shepherd Boy's Song (He that is down needs fear no fall) Derek Healey

# **Call to Worship**

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

Psalm 103:2

**Hymn:** 124 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (*Words CH3 9*)

- Lobe Den Herren
- Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation ;
   O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation All ye who hear,
   Now to his temple draw near,
   Joining in glad adoration.
- Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things So wondrously reigneth, Shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting Sustaineth; Hast thou not seen How thy heart's wishes have been Granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work And defend thee;
  Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee;
  Ponder anew
  What the Almighty can do :
  Who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord ! O let all that is in me adore him ! All that hath life and breath, come now with Praises before him ! Let the Amen Sound from His people again : Gladly for aye we adore him.

#### We bring to God our prayers and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors, And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, The power and the glory, forever. Amen

#### We hear the Word of God

New Testament: **John 15:9-17** (*Read by: John Scott Moncrieff*)

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup> This I command you, to love one another.

Amen

# **Children's Time**

#### We respond to God's Word with our Offering

(Children invited to help with the Offering)

Offertory: Concerto in d for 2 violins, BWV 1043 (first movement only) J S Bach (solo violins: Florence Gill & Emily MacFarlane)

#### Prayer

#### Children leave for Crèche and Sunday Club

**<u>Hymn</u>**: 61 (vvs 1-4, 7) Oh, sing a new song to the Lord *St Magnus* 

1	Oh, sing a new song to the Lord, for wonders he has done ; with his right hand and holy arm the vict'ry he has won.
2	The Lord has made this triumph known, displayed his saving might ; he has revealed his righteousness in every nation's sight.
3	He mindful of his grace and truth to Israel's house has been ; the saving power of God our Lord earth's farthest ends have seen.
4	Earth, shout aloud to God the Lord and make a joyful noise ; break into song and celebrate, sing praises and rejoice.
7	Let these all sing before the Lord who comes earth's judge to be ; he'll judge the world with righteousness, its folk with equity.

#### We bring to God our Prayers of Confession

#### We hear the Word of God

New Testament: Acts 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> And the believers from among the circumcised who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup> For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup> "Can anyone forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup> And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days. Amen

Anthem: Cantique de Jean Racine

Gabriel Fauré

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#### Intimations

**Hymn:** 46 From all that dwell below the skies

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

- From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise : *Alleluia ! Alleluia !* Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, in every tongue : *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia !*
- Eternal are your mercies, Lord ;
   eternal truth attends your word :
   *Alleluia ! Alleluia !* Your praise shall sound from shore to shore
   till suns shall rise and set no more :
   *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia !*

Sermon Love one another

# We bring to God our prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

# Hymn: 127 O worship the King

## Hanover

- O worship the King, all glorious above ;
   O gratefully sing his power and his love ;
   our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
- O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
   whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
   his chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
   and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 3 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power hath founded of old ; hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite ? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light ; it streams from the hills ; it descends to the plain, and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
- 5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail ; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend !
- 6 O measureless might, ineffable love ! While angels delight to hymn thee above, the humbler creation, in lowlier ways, with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

# **Benediction and Threefold Amen**

Voluntary: Alleluia: Festal Postlude (Lasst uns erfreuen) William Faulkes