THREE DAYS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD (1)

SUNDAY 6TH MAR 2022 A Final Meal – Luke 22:7-20



WELCOME AND NOTICES

 `The Way' being shown this afternoon at 4pm in advance of the Lent Course, which starts on Tuesday evening at 7.30pm.



Maintenance morning on Saturday 12th March, 9.30am to 12noon

•ACM reports: if you haven't sent your report yet to the Church Office, please do so by the end of the day.



CALL TO WORSHIP

It is the custom of the Church to prepare for Jesus' death on the cross and his resurrection from the dead with a season of self-denial and penitence. This season of Lent was first observed by those being



prepared for baptism at Easter and by those seeking to be restored to the Church. Today all Christians are invited to prepare for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter through turning away from sins, receiving forgiveness and growing in faith.



Therefore, I invite you to enter into this season of Lent by selfexamination, repentance and reading God's Word.



OPENING PRAYER AND CONFESSION

Almighty God, you hate nothing of all you have made, and forgive those who come to you for forgiveness. Create in us clean hearts so that as we turn to you and confess our sins, we may receive your full and perfect forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Have mercy on us, O Lord, In your constant love; In your mercy wash us clean And cleanse us from our sin.



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God, who is merciful and kind, forgives those who come in humility before him,

confessing their sins.



He says to us, "Your sins are forgiven."

- He also says, "Follow me." Let us receive his forgiveness and walk in his ways
- To the glory of his holy name. Amen.



SONGS

COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING Who delight to bring Him praise Come all and tune your hearts to sing

To the Morning Star of grace



From the shifting shadows of the earth

- We will lift our eyes to Him
- Where steady arms of mercy reach
- To gather children in



Rejoice Rejoice, let every tongue rejoice

One heart one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice



Come those whose joy is morning sun

- And those weeping through the night
- Come those who tell of battles won And those struggling in the fight



For His perfect love will never change And His mercies never cease But follow us through all our days With the certain hope of peace



Rejoice Rejoice, let every tongue rejoice

One heart one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice



Come young and old from every land

Men and women of the faith Come those with full or empty hands

Find the riches of His grace



Over all the world His people sing Shore to shore we hear them call The Truth that cries through every age

Our God is all in all



GOD, YOU HAVE DONE GREAT THINGS

God, You give grace to the weak, And bless the broken-hearted with a song of praise to sing



You reached down and lifted us up, You came running, looking for us.

And now there's nothing, and no one beyond Your love.



You're the overflow, You're the fountain of my heart, So let Your mercy rain, let Your mercy rain on us.



You're the faithful One when the world's falling apart. So let Your mercy rain, let Your mercy rain on us.



How deep, how wide, how long, how high Is Your love, is Your love



How deep, how wide, how long, how high Is Your love, is Your love, O God



MERCIFUL GOD, O abounding in love, Faithful to all who draw near You; Hearing the cries of the humble in heart, Showing the cross they may cling to.



Helpless I come, broken in sin, Found at the feet of Your mercy. Father, forgive, May my sin be remembered no more.



- Merciful God, O abounding in love, Faithful to keep us from falling; Guiding our ways with Your fatherly heart,
- Growing our faith with each testing.



God speed the day struggles will end, Faultless we'll gaze on Your glory;

Then we will stand

Overwhelmed by the mercy of God.



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious Lord, you give us all we have, even life itself. We offer to you these gifts as part of our worship. Now take our gifts and bless them for your glory's sake. Amen.



INTRO TO THE THEME: A good party







- •What makes a good party? Talk in twos or threes about what makes a good party and about some of the parties you have enjoyed.
 - •What made them so special?
- •Alternately, what is the weirdest food you've ever eaten?

INTRO TO THE READING:

The Passover mealSederHaggadah





READING: Luke 22:7-23

'Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, 'Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover.'⁹ 'Where do you want us to prepare for it?' they asked.



¹⁰ He replied, 'As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, ¹¹ and say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks: where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"¹² He will show you a large room upstairs, all furnished. Make preparations there.



¹³ They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴ When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. ¹⁵ And he said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfilment in the kingdom of God.'

¹⁷ After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, 'Take this and divide it among you. ¹⁸ For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.

¹⁹ And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'



²⁰ In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.' ²¹ But the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table.²² The Son of Man will go as it has been decreed. But woe to that man who betrays him!'



²³ They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this.



This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**



SONG

BROKEN FOR ME, broken for you, The body of Jesus, broken for you.

He offered His body, He poured out His soul;

Jesus was broken, that we might be whole:



Come to My table and with Me dine;

Eat of My bread and drink of My wine.



This is My body given for you; Eat it remembering I died for you.



This is My blood I shed for you; For your forgiveness, making you new.





ACTION

- •Write or draw most important bit or
 •Write a Bible verse
 •Think
 •Talk
- •Listen



INTERCESSIONS





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.



SONG

HOPE FOR THE WORLD'S DESPAIR We feel for Ukraine's pain **Can anything repair Their broken land again** For this we pray, in every place A spark of grace to light the way



Wisdom for all who bear The future in their hand **Entrusted with the care Of theirs and every land** When comes the hour, O Lord, we pray, Inspire the way, we spend our wer

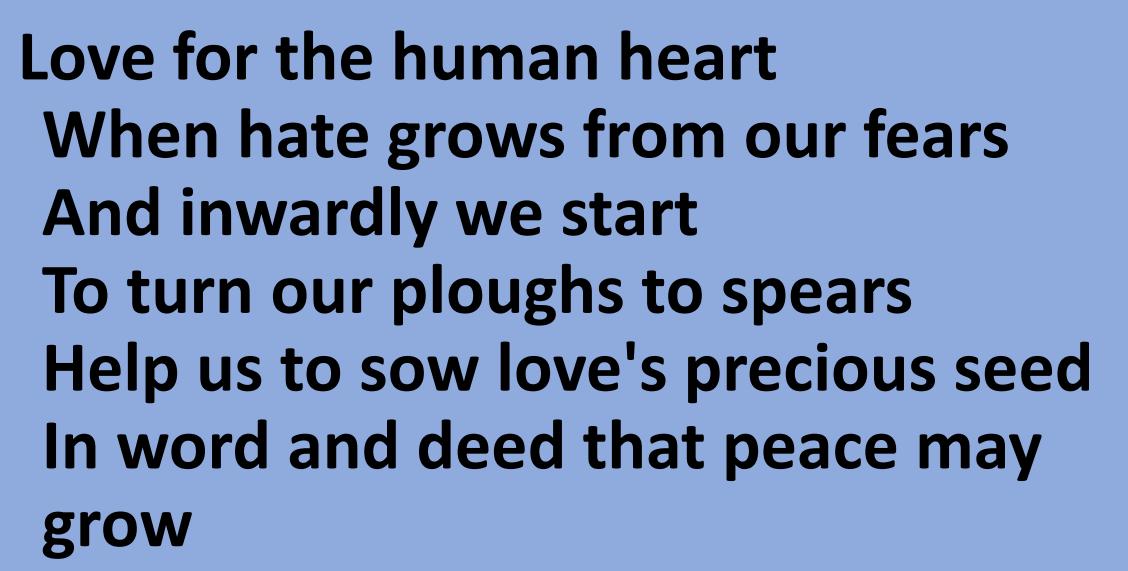


Honour for all who've paid War's painful, bitter price When duty called they made The greatest sacrifice Their memory will never cease To cry for peace and harmony



Ease for the troubled mind In endless conflict caught Each soul that cannot find The peace beyond all thought May they be blessed with healing balm For inner calm and perfect rest







CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

Gracious God, may we walk in fellowship with you and draw others into your eternal kingdom, where peace and justice reign; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ. Amen.

