

FATHER'S DAY

The Father Heart of God



Luke 15:11-32

16th June 2024

Welcome & call to worship

Those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again;

rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.’

(Romans 8:14-16)

**GOD, YOU HAVE DONE GREAT
THINGS (Let your mercy rain)**

**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.***

**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.**

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

FATHER GOD, I WONDER

Father God, I wonder

How I managed to exist

**Without the knowledge of your
parenthood**

And your loving care

**But now I am your son
I am adopted in your family
and I can never be alone
`Cause Father God,
you're there besides me**

I will sing your praises,

I will sing your praises,

I will sing your praises for evermore.

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I will sing your praises,

I will sing your praises for evermore.

FATHER OF LIFE, DRAW ME CLOSER

Father of Life, draw me closer,

Lord, my heart is set on You:

Let me run the race of time

With Your life enfolding mine,

And let the peace of God, let it

reign.

**O Holy Spirit, Lord, my comfort;
Strengthen me, hold my head up
high:**

**And I stand upon Your truth,
Bringing glory unto You,
And let the peace of God,
let it reign.**

***O Lord, I hunger for more of You;
Rise up within me, let me know
Your truth.***

***O Holy Spirit, saturate my soul,
And let the life of God fill me now,***

***Let Your healing power
Breathe life and make me whole,
And let the peace of God,
let it reign.***

FATHER GOD, FILL THIS PLACE

Father God, fill this place

With your love, with your grace

As we call on your name

Visit us in power again

**Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you.**

**Spirit come with your peace,
Heal our wounds, bring release.
Lord, we long for your touch,
Fill our hearts with your love.**

**Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you,
Lord, we worship you.**

OPENING PRAYER

Father God, Lord of heaven and earth, we come into your awesome presence to offer you the praise of our lips and the love in our hearts.

You call us to this place to be your holy people, and so we join together to praise your name. For the joy of your created world, for our redemption in Christ our Lord, and for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we worship you.

Gracious Lord, fill this place with
your presence and our lives with
your glory; through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSIO

**God of mercy and love, we come
before you in need of forgiveness.
We have sinned against you in not
loving you with our whole heart,**

**in not serving you with all our
strength, in not loving our
neighbour as ourselves.**

**Forgive us, Lord, that we might be
your joyful people once again. In
Jesus' name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God is merciful and kind, slow to anger and abounding in love. Hear his words of pardon:

‘Your sins are forgiven.’

Receive his gift of forgiveness and be at peace. **Amen.**

NOTICES

Infant baptism of Sherease Boone
at 1pm today

Alpha in Farsi begins tomorrow at
7.30pm

All Angels Federation Summer Fayre
Saturday 22 June, 12-3pm

Sunday 30th June – our fifth Sunday charity is for Medical Detection Dogs. Christine will say something about this charity next Sunday.

Also on Sunday 30th June, 6.30pm is a service led by the Quakers.

Sunday 7th July is a fellowship picnic after the service.

Sunday 14th July baptism of Andy Bristow – if you also want to be baptised, please see me afterwards.

Worship Through Giving



The Offertory

- We support contributions via cash, bank transfer or card. Please ask to find out more.

OFFERTORY SONG

Abba, Father, let me be

Yours and yours alone

May my will for ever be

Ever more your own

Never let my heart grow cold

Never let me go

Abba, Father, let me be

Yours and yours alone

OFFERTORY PRAYER

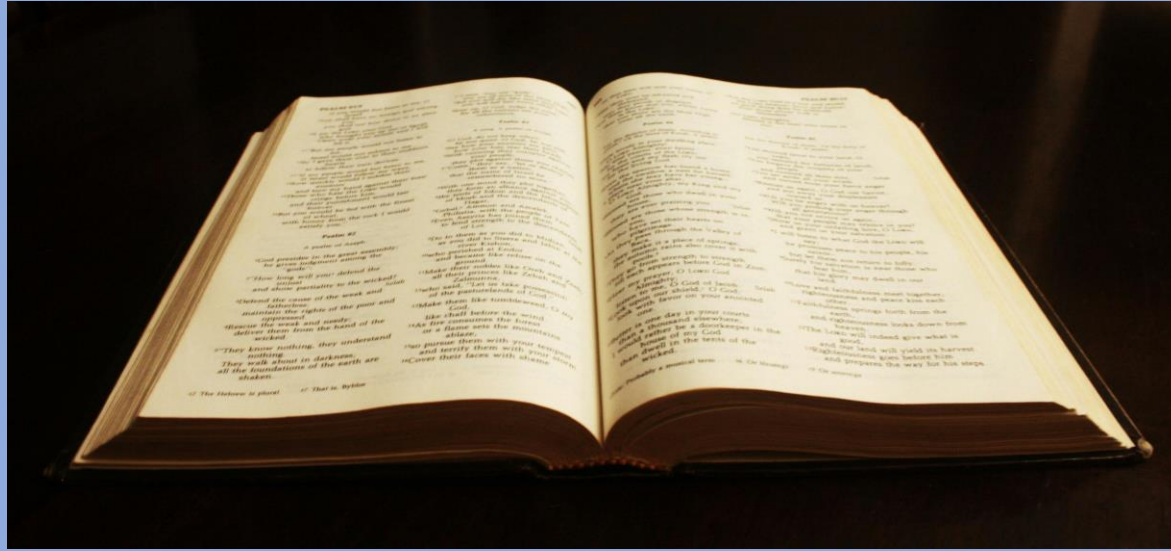
Merciful God, we offer to you all we are and all we have. Accept our praises and the gifts we bring before you. Bless these gifts that your name may be glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR SUNDAY CLUB

Lord Jesus, you grew up and know what it is to belong to a family and a community. We pray that our children here may know your love and the love of this church family,

that they may grow in faith and love
in Sunday Club today. In Jesus' name.
Amen.

READING: Luke 15:11-32



This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

REFLECTION: The Father Heart of God



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION



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

SONG: GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

**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.**

**Summer and winter,
And springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars
In their courses above**

**Join with all nature
in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness,
Mercy and love.**

**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.**

**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.**

**Great is Thy faithfulness,
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Morning by morning
New mercies I see.**

**All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me.**

CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

Father God, we thank you for your faithfulness to us, for your love for us, and your Spirit within us.

May we honour you this week by
making your love known to
others; 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
and share the Lord

In the name of Christ. Amen.