



WELCOME

**Sherbrooke Mosspark
Parish Church**

Sunday 6th June 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE

Voluntary Intrada – J. Ireland

**Call to
Worship** “If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, then the God who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give new life to you through the in dwelling Spirit” Romans 8:11

Praise 59 Oh, come, and let us to the Lord

1 Oh, come, and let us to the Lord
in songs our voices raise,
with joyful noise let us the Rock
of our salvation praise.

2 Let us before his presence come
with praise and thankful voice;
let us sing psalms to him with grace,
and make a joyful noise:

3 For God, a great God, and great King,
above all gods he is.
Depths of the earth are in his hand,
the strength of hills is his.

4 To him the spacious sea belongs,
for he the same did make;
the dry land also from his hands
its form at first did take.

5 O, come, and let us worship him,
let us bow down withal,
and on our knees before the Lord
our Maker let us fall.

Prayers of approach, confession and the Lord’s Prayer

Old Joshua 2:1-13

(p. 190)

Testament

1 And Joshua the son of Nun sent two men secretly from Shittim as spies, saying, "Go, view the land, especially Jericho." And they went, and came into the house of a harlot whose name was Rahab, and lodged there. **2** And it was told the king of Jericho, "Behold, certain men of Israel have come here tonight to search out the land." **3** Then the king of Jericho sent to Rahab, saying, "Bring forth the men that have come to you, who entered your house; for they have come to search out all the land." **4** But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them; and she said, "True, men came to me, but I did not know where they came from; **5** and when the gate was to be closed, at dark, the men went out; where the men went I do not know; pursue them quickly, for you will overtake them." **6** But she had brought them up to the roof, and hid them with the stalks of flax which she had laid in order on the roof. **7** So the men pursued after them on the way to the Jordan as far as the fords; and as soon as the pursuers had gone out, the gate was shut. **8** Before they lay down, she came up to them on the roof, **9** and said to the men, "I know that the LORD has given you the land, and that the fear of you has fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you. **10** For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites that were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon and Og, whom you utterly destroyed. **11** And as soon as we heard it, our hearts melted, and there was no courage left in any man, because of you; for the LORD your God is he who is God in heaven above and on earth beneath. **12** Now then, swear to me by the LORD that as I have dealt kindly with you, you also will deal kindly with my father's house, and give me a sure sign, **13** and save alive my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and deliver our lives from death."

Anthem

Jubilate in F – J. Ireland

Words: Ps. 100

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves : we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end.

Amen.

Gospel

Hebrews 11:24-31

(p.210)

24 By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, 25 choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. 26 He considered abuse suffered for the Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked to the reward. 27 By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king; for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. 28 By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the first-born might not touch them. 29 By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land; but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. 30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. 31 By faith Rahab the harlot did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given friendly welcome to the spies.

Praise 478 Behold the amazing gift of love

1 Behold the amazing gift of love
the Father hath bestowed
on us, in calling us his own,
the children of our God!

2 Concealed as yet this honour lies,
by this dark world unknown,
a world that knew not when he came,
even God's eternal Son.

3 High is the rank we now possess;
but higher we shall rise,
though what we shall hereafter be
is hid from mortal eyes.

4 Our souls, we know, when he appears,
shall bear his image bright;
for all his glory, full disclosed,
shall open to our sight.

5 A hope so great and so divine
may trials well endure;
and purge the soul from sense and sin,
as Christ himself is pure.

SERMON
“Every story has a beginning”

Praise

502 Take my life, Lord, let it be

1 Take my life, Lord, let it be
consecrated, glad, and free;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of your love;
take my feet, that I may run
bearing news of Christ your Son.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my intellect and use
every power as you shall choose.

4 Take my will -- your will be done,
may my will and yours be one;
take my heart -- it is your own,
it shall be your royal throne.

5 Take my love -- my Lord, I pour
at your feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be
all for you, eternally.

Offerings**Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercessions****Praise**

192 All my hope in God is founded.

1 All my hope on God is founded,
all my trust he will renew;
safe through change and chance he guides me,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

2 Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray God's trust;
though with care and toil we build them,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

3 God's great goodness lasts for ever,
deep his wisdom passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore,
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

4 Day by day the mighty Giver
showers gifts on us below;
his desire our souls delight in,
pleasure leads us where we go.
See love stand
at his hand,
joy awaits at his command!

5 Still from earth to God in heaven
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Hear Christ call
one and all:
those who follow shall not fall.

BLESSING

Voluntary Alla Marcia – J. Ireland

PLEASE NOTE you will be shown your seat by one of the duty team today. We ask you remain in it for the duration of the Service. Please follow the guidance of the team who are responsible for ensuring you are kept safe. You are required to familiarise yourself with the current government guidelines about social distancing and hand-sanitising while in the building. Please remember we have to operate a one-way system of entry and exit to the building

Attendance at Service:

Up to 60 people will be permitted to be present in the sanctuary for worship. If you wish to attend please contact the office to register in advance, otherwise we may not be able to allow you admission (Government and Church of Scotland regulations).

The Readings are printed.

What Are You Doing Now? With Covid Restrictions reducing it would be great to share the things you are doing now and couldn't do before with a photo. See the website for more details.

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