



WELCOME

**Sherbrooke Mosspark
Parish Church**

**6th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 9th May 2021**

ORDER OF SERVICE

Voluntary Toccata (Ionian) – J. P. Sweelinck

**Call to
Worship** “You did not choose me, I chose you and appointed you to go and bear
much fruit” St John: 15 v16

Praise 132 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains, high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Prayers of approach, confession and the Lord's Prayer

**New
Testament**

Acts 10: v44-48

(p.123)

44 While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. **45** 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. **46** For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, **47** "Can any one forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" **48** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Anthem *A new commandment* – W. Mundy
Words: St John 13:34

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord, that ye love together,
as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.

Gospel St John 15:9-17 (p 104)

9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. **10** 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. **11** These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. **12** "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. **13** Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. **14** You are my friends if you do what I command you. **15** 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. **16** 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. **17** This I command you, to love one another.

Praise 606 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

1 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,
unmistakable and clear,
mighty signs to prove your presence,
overcoming doubt and fear.

2 Lord, you sometimes speak in whispers,
still and small and scarcely heard;
only those who want to listen
catch the all-important word.

3 Lord, you sometimes speak in silence,
through our loud and noisy day:
we can know and trust you better
when we quietly wait and pray.

4 Lord, you often speak in Scripture,
words that summon from the page,
shown and taught us by your Spirit
with fresh light for every age.

5 Lord, you always speak in Jesus,
always new yet still the same:
teach us now more of our Saviour,
make our lives display his Name.

SERMON
“I chose you”

Praise 519 Love divine, all loves excelling

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation:
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee,
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Offerings

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercessions

Praise

645 I'm not ashamed to own my Lord.

1 I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,
or to defend his cause,
maintain the glory of his cross,
and honour all his laws.

2 Jesus, my Lord! I know his name,
his name is all my boast;
nor will he put my soul to shame,
nor let my hope be lost.

3 I know that safe with him remains,
protected by his power,
what I've committed to his trust,
till the decisive hour.

4 Then will he own his servant's name,
before his Father's face,
and in the new Jerusalem
appoint my soul a place.

BLESSING

Voluntary *Balletto del granduca* – J. P. Sweelinck

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 Services

Up to 50 people will be permitted to be present in the sanctuary for public worship on Sunday's and Thursday's. If wishing to attend please contact the office to register in advance, otherwise we may not be able to allow you admission (Government regulations).

The Readings are printed.

The **Young Church** talk is on the website each weekend and Messy Church will produce a video every month covering the topic for that month. This also will be on the church website.

Christian Aid Week 10 - 16 May 2021

This year we shall again be seeking personal donations, rather than via our Church. We may have donation tins at our mini plant sale. Christian Aid envelopes will be left in the church throughout May for folks to pick up, to make your own donation and return to Christian Aid. You can also make a donation via their web site www.christinaid.org.uk/Scotland or telephone no. 0131 220 1254. If you wish for a donation envelope, please contact Janet Lamb @ email - janetmbrand@aol.com or telephone her on 0141 424 0648, and she can drop one off to your address. Please be generous this year. If its been challenging for us, how much more so for those less advantaged. **Thanks, Janet Lamb.**

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