

Worship at Home: Second Sunday before Lent

The president says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
All and also with you.

WELCOME

Rev Liz Clutterbuck, Vicar, Emmanuel Church Holloway, London

SONG

Light of the world

Recorded by the Musicians of Holy Trinity Platt Church (Soloist: Katie Ritson)

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly you came to the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

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And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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Here I am to worship
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Here I am to say that you're my God
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Words and Music: Chris Tomlin

The president says

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

All Almighty God,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

The president says

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31

Read by Odelle James

Does not wisdom call out?
Does not understanding raise her voice?
'The Lord brought me forth as the first of his works,
before his deeds of old;
I was formed long ages ago,
at the very beginning, when the world came to be.
When there were no watery depths, I was given birth,
when there were no springs overflowing with water;
before the mountains were settled in place,
before the hills, I was given birth,
before he made the world or its fields
or any of the dust of the earth.
I was there when he set the heavens in place,
when he marked out the horizon on the face of the deep,
when he established the clouds above
and fixed securely the fountains of the deep,
when he gave the sea its boundary
so that the waters would not overstep his command,
and when he marked out the foundations of the earth.
Then I was constantly at his side.
I was filled with delight day after day,
rejoicing always in his presence,
rejoicing in his whole world
and delighting in the human race.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

EVERYDAY REFLECTION

By Colin Dobson, Taxi Driver, Abingdon

HYMN

Longing for light, we wait in darkness

Sung by St Martin's Voices

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

*Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.
Chorus

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.
Chorus

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stones.
Chorus

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.
Chorus

*Words: Bernadette Farrell (born 1957)
Tune: Christ Be Our Light*

GOSPEL READING

John 1: 1-14

Read by Yerim Baek

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God – children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev Liz Clutterbuck, Vicar, Emmanuel Church Holloway, London

Silence is kept.

Let us proclaim our faith in God.

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

HYMN

At the name of Jesus

Sung by St Martin's Voices

At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of Glory now:
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word:

Humbled for a season,
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed.

Name him, Christians, name him,
with love strong as death,
but with awe and wonder,
and with bated breath;
he is God the Saviour,
he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped,
trusted and adored.

Surely, this Lord Jesus
shall return again,
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of Glory now.

Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877)

Tune: Camberwell

PRAYERS

Led by Rev Liz Clutterbuck

The response to each prayer:

Lord in your mercy,
All hear our Prayer.

At the end of the prayers:

Merciful Father,
All accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

All Amen

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever.
Amen.

BLESSING

Rev Liz Clutterbuck

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

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

SONG

This is Amazing Grace

Sung by Geraldine Latty with Carey Luce

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
whose love is mighty and so much stronger
the King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
the King of Glory, the King above all kings

This is amazing grace
this is unfailing love
that You would take my place
that You would bear my cross
you lay down your life
that I would be set free
oh, Jesus, I sing for
all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
who makes the orphan a son and daughter
the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
the King of Glory, the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy, worthy, worthy, worthy
We've no less days to sing your praise
Jesus I sing for
all that you've done for me.

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