Christ Church Stocksbridge

Call to worship

Hear our Lord's Word and receive his peace. With all that you have been, all that you are, and all that you hope to be, offer yourself now to our Lord in worship and praise.

Welcome and Activity Joys and Concerns Offertory Prayer

The Lectionary

Isaiah 40.21-31; Psalm 147.1-11,20c; 1 Corinthians 9.16-23; Mark 1.29-39

Hymn: 594 by Patrick Appleford b 1925

Lord Jesus Christ
you have come to us
you are one with us
Mary's Son.
Cleansing our souls from all their sin
pouring your love and goodness in
Jesus, our love for you we sing
Living Lord

Lord Jesus Christ
you have come to us
born as one with us
Mary's Son.
Led out to die on Calvary
risen from death to set us free
Living Lord Jesus, help us see
you are Lord

Lord Jesus Christ
I would come to you
live my life for you
Son of God.
All your commands I know are true
your many gifts will make me new
Into my life your power breaks through
Living Lord.

Bible Reading: Mark 1.29-39

Jesus Heals Many People

²⁹ Jesus and his disciples, including James and John, left the synagogue and went straight to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a fever, and as soon as Jesus arrived, he was told about her. ³¹ He went to her, took her by the hand, and helped her up. The fever left her, and she began to wait on them.

"Together at Home"

with Crane Moor and Green Moor

Sunday 7th February 2021

The First 100 Days

³² After the sun had set and evening had come, people brought to Jesus all the sick and those who had demons. ³³ All the people of the town gathered in front of the house. ³⁴ Jesus healed many who were sick with all kinds of diseases and drove out many demons. He would not let the demons say anything, because they knew who he was.

Jesus Preaches in Galilee

³⁵ Very early the next morning, long before daylight, Jesus got up and left the house. He went out of town to a lonely place, where he prayed. ³⁶ But Simon and his companions went out searching for him, ³⁷ and when they found him, they said, "Everyone is looking for you."

³⁸ But Jesus answered, "We must go on to the other villages around here. I have to preach in them also, because that is why I came."

³⁹ So he travelled all over Galilee, preaching in the synagogues and driving out demons.

Word

Hymn: by Brian Wren

And now the work begins God's covenant is sealed,
its aims are set, its riches yet
to be revealed.
Aligned to move as one
by love that clears our sins,
in hope new grown, by grace alone,
our work begins.

We'll plant no shallow seeds soon gusted by the breeze, but deeply-rooted spreading trees with healing leaves, where, called from many tribes, Christ's people, unafraid, can shelter, picnic, play and rest beneath their shade.

God, guide us now to trace, uncover and re-learn our partial holdings of your grace, and so discern how Christ can lead us out from safe and settled walls, to hear how through a world in need, your Spirit calls.

Christ Jesus, be our light
whenever we combine
to preach and worship, sing, and share
your bread and wine.
Give us such heartfelt love,
unable to deceive,
that people see your light in us
and so believe.

Prayers

We are called as his followers.

We are called as his followers to continue the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. Let us ask God our Father for all the graces we need to become healers in our world.

We pray for those in our church who stand beside us and help us to cope better with all we have to do and face.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those with care of the sick; that they may be given love in their hearts and skill in their hands as they continue Christ's healing work, bringing consolation to those in their care. Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are ill; that they may wait for their recovery cheerfully, hopefully, and with confidence in the goodness of God and other people. Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for an understanding of suffering; that we may always see in it the loving hands of Jesus, who wants us to be healed of all fears, even of death and dying.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Amen

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.

Hymn 73 by Horatius Bonar b 1808

Fill thou my life, O Lord my God, in ev'ry part with praise, that my whole being may proclaim thy being and thy ways.

Not for the lip of praise alone, nor e'en the praising heart, I ask, but for a life made up of praise in ev'ry part:

Praise in the common words I speak, life's common looks and tones, in fellowship enjoyed at home with my beloved ones,

Enduring wrong, reproach, or loss with sweet and steadfast will, forgiving freely those who hate, returning good for ill.

So shall each fear, each fret, each care be turned into a song, and ev'ry winding of the way the echo shall prolong.

So shall no part of day or night from sacredness be free, but all my life, in ev'ry step, be fellowship with thee.

The Grace and the Vesper

Lord Jesus, go with us into the world this week. Help us to remain focused upon you and to make your priorities our priorities in all the places you are sending us. Amen.

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and fellowship together in the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and evermore.

Take, oh take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart, and live in me. *Repeat*

Now let us all enjoy a cup of tea or coffee together.