

PARISH OF LATHERON

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN 459

1. Crown Him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
of Him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.
2. Crown Him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing  
who died and rose on high,  
who died eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.
3. Crown him the Lord of peace,  
whose power a scepter sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
and all be prayer and praise.  
his reign shall know no end,  
and round his piercèd feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.
4. Crown him the Lord of Love;  
behold his hands and side;  
rich wounds yet visible above,  
in beauty glorified:  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
for thou hast died for me;  
thy praise shall never, never fail  
throughout eternity.

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING: PSALM 1

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one  
who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
<sup>2</sup> but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and who meditates on his law day and  
night.  
<sup>3</sup> That person is like a tree planted by  
streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season

and whose leaf does not wither—  
whatever they do prospers.

- <sup>4</sup> Not so the wicked!  
They are like chaff  
that the wind blows away.  
<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the  
judgment,  
nor sinners in the assembly of the  
righteous.  
<sup>6</sup> For the LORD watches over the way of the  
righteous,  
but the way of the wicked leads to  
destruction.

HYMN 113

1. God the Father of Creation,  
source of life and energy,  
your creative love so shapes us  
That we share your liberty.  
Teach us how to use this freedom  
loving children all to be.  
loving children all to be.
2. Jesus Christ our Lord and brother,  
in your cross we see the way  
to be servants for each other,  
caring, suffering every day.  
Teach us patience and obedience  
never from your path to stray.  
never from your path to stray.
3. Holy Spirit, love that binds us  
to the Father and the Son,  
giver of the joy that fills us,  
yours the peace that makes us one,  
teach our hearts to be more open  
as we pray 'God's will be done.'  
as we pray 'God's will be done.'
4. Members of our Saviour's body,  
here on earth his life to be,  
though we stand as different people,  
may we share the unity  
of the Father, Son and Spirit,  
perfect love in Trinity.  
perfect love in Trinity.

SCRIPTURE READING: JOHN 17: 6-19

**Jesus Prays for His Disciples**

<sup>6</sup> "I have revealed you to those whom you  
gave me out of the world. They were yours;  
you gave them to me and they have obeyed  
your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything  
you have given me comes from you. <sup>8</sup> For I  
gave them the words you gave me and they  
accepted them. They knew with certainty that  
I came from you, and they believed that you

sent me. <sup>9</sup> I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. <sup>11</sup> I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. <sup>15</sup> My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

#### HYMN 125

1. Lord of all being, throned afar,  
thy glory flames from sun and star;  
centre and soul of every sphere,  
yet to each loving heart how near!
2. Sun of our life, thy quickening ray  
sheds on our path the glow of day;  
star of our hope, thy softened light  
cheers the long watches of the night.
3. Our midnight is thy smile withdrawn,  
our noontide is thy gracious dawn,  
our rainbow arch thy mercy's sign;  
all, save the clouds of sin, are thine.
4. Lord of all life, below, above,  
whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,  
before thy ever-blazing throne  
we ask no lustre of our own.
5. Grant us thy truth to make us free,  
and kindling hearts that burn for thee,  
till all thy living altars claim  
one holy light, one heavenly flame.

#### REFLECTION

#### HYMN 490

1. Jesus, lover of my soul,  
let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll,  
while the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,  
till the storm of life is past;  
safe into the haven guide,  
oh, receive my soul at last!
2. Other refuge have I none;  
hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
leave, ah! leave me not alone,  
still support and comfort me.  
All my trust on thee is stayed,  
all my help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenceless head  
with the shadow of thy wing.
3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want,  
more than all in thee I find!  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,  
heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is thy name,  
I am all unrighteousness;  
false and full of sin I am,  
thou art full of truth and grace.
4. Plenteous grace with thee is found,  
grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound,  
make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art;  
freely let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart,  
rise to all eternity.

#### PRAYER

#### HYMN 424

1. Blest be the everlasting God,  
the Father of our Lord!  
Be his abounding mercy praised,  
his majesty adored!
2. When from the dead he raised his Son,  
and called him to the sky,  
he gave our souls a lively hope  
that they should never die.
3. To an inheritance divine  
he taught our hearts to rise;  
'tis uncorrupted, undefiled,  
unfading in the skies.
4. Saints by the power of God are kept,  
till the salvation come:  
we walk by faith as strangers here,  
but Christ shall call us home.

#### BENEDICTION