



Praise Him  
Sun and Moon

For the sins of all the world.

He's the Promise of the Ages,  
Lifted up to save us,  
Jesus Christ, our sacrifice.  
He's the Fount of living water,  
King and Friend forever,  
Bow before The Promise of the Ages.

In flesh he came,  
Yet chose to remain  
With the outcast and the poor.  
He bled, he died,  
Was raised, glorified,  
Now he lives forever more!

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**Ed Cash, Keith Getty and Stuart Townend**

## **Blessing**

I quieten my soul with the chimes of the silver  
branch:  
great gladness in my heart,  
no sadness in my mind,  
rich rest within my soul.  
May the three clear notes of the Soul-Keeper  
resound through all beings,  
bringing peace and rest  
at this day's ending.

## **Grace**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
And the love of God  
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
Be with us all, evermore.  
Amen.

Thank you for coming this evening. Our next  
contemporary service is at 6pm on Sunday 22nd  
October.

8 *fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind  
fulfilling his command!*

9 *Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all  
cedars!*

10 *Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things  
and flying birds!*

11 *Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes  
and all rulers of the earth!*

12 *Young men and women alike, old and young  
together!*

13 *Let them praise the name of the LORD, for  
his name alone is exalted; his glory is above  
earth and heaven.*

14 *He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful, for the people of  
Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!*

## Song

### Come Close

Come close  
My heart is ready  
Come close  
My heart is here  
Draw near  
I'm longing for You  
Draw near  
My love

All I've ever wanted  
All I've ever wanted  
All I've ever wanted is found in You

All I've ever wanted  
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This moment is ours  
I won't rush away  
Je - sus

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**Thomas Aston, Pippa Baker, Grace Baylis,  
Hugh Potter**

## Reflection and Responsorial Prayers

### Prayer

I go forth today under the Cloak of Covering:  
triumph of treetops,  
majesty of foliage,  
lightness of leaves,  
strength of trunk,  
suppleness of bark,  
power of branches,  
stability of roots,  
penetration of sap,  
energy of growth.  
May no harm befall me  
under the covering of this forest cloak,  
this day and this night.

## Worship Songs

*Please stand, if you are able.*

### Everyday God

Earth's creator, Everyday God,  
Loving Maker, O Jesus,  
You who shaped us, O Spirit,  
Recreate us, Come, be with us.

In your presence, Everyday God,  
We are gathered, O Jesus,  
You have called us, O Spirit,  
To restore us, Come, be with us.

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### Bernadette Farrell

### Promise Of The Ages

God's saints of old  
Through history told  
Of the One who was to come:  
A son, a king,  
A Lamb to be slain

great in wonder,  
great in Zion,  
King over all the Earth.

Great in power,  
great in glory,  
great in mercy,  
King of Heaven.  
Great in battle,  
great in wonder,  
great in Zion,  
King over all the Earth.

**Russell Fragar**

### **Psalm 19**

1 THE heavens are telling the glory of God; and  
the firmament proclaims his handiwork.  
2 Day to day pours forth speech, and night to  
night declares knowledge.  
3 There is no speech, nor are there words; their  
voice is not heard;  
4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.

### **Prayer**

I clothe my soul in the mantle of creation,  
heavens of light,  
earth of life,  
seas of love,  
surround and support my Autumn-wakening  
soul.  
Preserve my soul in compassion,  
may it shine forth with the rich Autumn  
sunlight.

### **Song**

#### **Creation Sings The Father's Song**

Creation sings the Father's song;  
He calls the sun to wake the dawn  
And run the course of day,  
Till evening comes in crimson rays.  
His fingerprints in flakes of snow,  
His breath upon this spinning globe,  
He charts the eagle's flight,  
Commands the newborn baby's cry.

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing:

"Hallelujah!"

Fill the earth with songs of worship,

Tell the wonders of creation's King.

Creation gazed upon His face;  
The ageless One in time's embrace,  
Unveiled the Father's plan  
Of reconciling God and man.  
A second Adam walked the earth,  
Whose blameless life would break the curse,  
Whose death would set us free  
To live with Him eternally.

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing:

"Hallelujah!"

Fill the earth with songs of worship,  
Tell the wonders of creation's King.

Creation longs for His return,  
When Christ shall reign upon the earth;  
The bitter wars that rage  
Are birth pains of a coming age.  
When He renews the land and sky,  
All heaven will sing and earth reply  
With one resplendent theme:  
The glory of our God and King.

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**Keith and Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend**

### **Psalm 148 (to be spoken responsorially)**

1 PRAISE the LORD! Praise the LORD from  
the heavens; praise him in the heights!  
2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his  
host!  
3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you  
shining stars!  
4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you  
waters above the heavens!  
5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he  
commanded and they were created.  
6 He established them forever and ever; he fixed  
their bounds, which cannot be passed.  
7 Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea  
monsters and all deeps,

# St John's Church Contemporary Service

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October

## Welcome

## Worship Songs and Readings

*Please stand, if you are able.*

### Romans 1

20 Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made.

### Prayer

I waken my soul with the chimes of the silver branch:

note of gladness,

note of clearness,

note of devotion,

within my heart, my mind, my soul.

May my soul be preserved

from day's dawning

till twilight's awning.

### Song

### Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God,  
one day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who  
gladly choose you now.

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

**Brian Doerksen**

### Psalm 93

3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

4 More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the LORD!

### Prayer

I mantle my soul in the mercy of creation,

light of heaven above me,

life of earth about me,

love of ocean beneath me.

May the mercy of creation

surround and encompass all beings

from fall of night

till crack of light,

in the perfection of peace.

### Song

### Great In Power

Praise Him, you heavens, and all that's above.

Praise Him, you angels and heavenly hosts.

Let the whole Earth praise Him.

Praise Him, the sun, moon and bright shining stars,

Praise Him, you heavens and waters and skies.

Let the whole Earth praise Him.

Great in power,

great in glory,

great in mercy,

King of Heaven.

Great in battle,

great in wonder,

great in Zion,

King over all the Earth.

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# St Francis' Canticle

Most High, all-powerful, all-good Lord,

All praise is Yours, all glory, all honour and all blessings.

To you alone, Most High, do they belong, and no mortal lips are worthy to pronounce Your Name.

Praised be You my Lord with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun,

Who is the day through whom You give us light.

And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour,

Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars,

In the heavens you have made them bright, precious and fair.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air,

And fair and stormy, all weather's moods, by which You cherish all that You have made.

Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water,

So useful, humble, precious and pure.

Praised be You my Lord through Brother Fire, through whom

You light the night and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be You my Lord through our Sister, Mother Earth who sustains and governs us, producing varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.

Praise be You my Lord through those who grant pardon for love of You and bear sickness and trial.

Blessed are those who endure in peace,

By You Most High, they will be crowned.

Praised be You, my Lord through Sister Death, from whom no-one living can escape.

Woe to those who die in mortal sin! Blessed are they She finds doing Your Will.

No second death can do them harm.

Praise and bless my Lord and give Him thanks,

And serve Him with great humility.