

#COMING TOGETHER
A community of believers
'The Double 'S'

Prayers

- For church members who are unwell and/or who no longer attend.
 - For the Lunch Club
 - For Reach out Recovery and the service users
 - For those who use the church building for community purposes
 - For Ena and family
 - For Climate change and the challenges this brings to the earth
 - For the Ethiopian plane crash and the families affected
 - For Brexit and the UK Government
 - For the family/friends affected by knife/gun crime
 - For countries under extreme oppression
 - For those facing problems with debt
 - For the those affected by mental health
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- Give thanks for provision
 - Give thanks for life
 - Give thanks for God's mercy

Today's Service

- Bible Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Songs

- ❖ Praise is rising
- ❖ Jesus Christ (once again)
- ❖ I will offer up my life
- ❖ Who is there like You
- ❖ So will I (new song)

Over the next month we will be reflecting on Acts 2:1-47 – COMING TOGETHER

In the second week of our 4 week series on Acts 2, we focus on the fellowship of believers themselves. They had been through some evident changes in their lives and the result of this was a devotion to God and others.

When our devotion to God and others is our first priority, our faith is active and genuine in a world that longs to see the love and grace of God. We must not fear the changes like the believers in Acts 2 because of the certainty we have in Christ - but instead embrace them, may we too be accepting of the message, to be true people of God

“Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.” – 1 Corinthians 15:58

Reflection Points

Consider the following scripture verses this week as you reflect on

- John 13:35
- Hebrews 10:24-25
- Matthew 18:20
- 1 Corinthians 12:25-27
- 1 Peter 4:8-11
- Ephesians 4:2-6
- Acts 4:32
- Galatians 6:2

Notices

Sunday 17th March 2019

- Next Lunch club will be on 18th March 2019
- Please continue to support our emergency food parcel cupboard by bringing in some things off the list in the foyer when you can
- **Church Prayer Meeting - Every Sunday after the service**
- Gathering for prayer **every Sunday Morning 9.45-10.15AM**
- Next Deacons Meeting - **Today after the prayer meeting**
- Next Church Meeting and AGM – **5 May 2019**
- **Easter Fun Day – 18 April 2019 – 11am – 2pm – (helpers needed)**

The church has a number of things to get involved with such as the sound desk, serving communion, leading prayer and making tea and coffee - let us know if feel able to get involved in some way

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Prayer for the Week

If the stars were made to worship so will I
If the mountains bow in reverence so will I
If the oceans roar Your greatness so will I
For if everything exists to lift You high so will I
If the wind goes where You send it so will I
If the rocks cry out in silence so will I
If the sum of all our praises still falls shy
Then we'll sing again a hundred billion times

God of salvation
You chased down my heart
Through all of my failure and pride
On a hill You created
The light of the world
Abandoned in darkness to die

And as You speak
A hundred billion failures disappear
Where You lost Your life so I could find it here
If You left the grave behind You so will I
I can see Your heart in everything You've done
Every part designed in a work of art called love
If You gladly chose surrender so will I
I can see Your heart
Eight billion different ways
Every precious one
A child You died to save
If You gave Your life to love them so will I

Like You would again a hundred billion times
But what measure could amount to Your desire
You're the One who never leaves the one behind

Give us, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag downwards; give us an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give us an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside.

Bestow upon us also, O Lord our God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Notes

Theme Song

So Will I

God of creation
There at the start
Before the beginning of time
With no point of reference
You spoke to the dark
And fleshed out the wonder of light

And as You speak
A hundred billion galaxies are born
In the vapor of Your breath the planets form
If the stars were made to worship so will I
I can see Your heart in everything You've made
Every burning star
A signal fire of grace
If creation sings Your praises so will I

God of Your promise
You don't speak in vain
No syllable empty or void
For once You have spoken
All nature and science
Follow the sound of Your voice

And as You speak
A hundred billion creatures catch Your breath
Evolving in pursuit of what You said
If it all reveals Your nature so will I
I can see Your heart in everything You say
Every painted sky
A canvas of Your grace
If creation still obeys You so will I
So will I
So will I

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” – Hebrews 10:24-25