

Order of Service: April 21st AM

Solihull Presbyterian Church

Meeting at Room WG1, Willow Building, Tudor Grange Academy, Dingle Lane, Solihull B91 3PD.

Notices

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" -Psalm 122:1

A warm welcome to you as we worship our triune God together. At our morning service, the preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Stephen Dancer. This evening we will be led by the Rev. Peter Leach, Assistant Minister at Christ Church, Derby (IPC).

If you have any questions about anything you have heard in the services, please come and ask.

Thursday 25th April:

7.30pm: Bible study and prayer meeting at the home of the Roses.

Sunday 28th April:

11.00am: Morning worship, including the Lord's Supper.

1.00pm: Fellowship lunch followed by a singing session.

5.00pm: Afternoon worship.

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- **Call to worship**

We give thanks to you, O God;
we give thanks, for your name is near.
We recount your wondrous deeds.

- Psalm 75:1

- **Psalm 100:1-5, (Sing Psalms, tune: Old 100th)**

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:

2 Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice!

3 Know that the Lord is God indeed,
Without our aid he did us make:
we are his flock he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

4 O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

5 For why? the Lord our God is good,
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

- **Prayer of Invocation**

- **Corporate Reading before Confession: John 15:9-12**

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

- **Confessional prayer:**

O Lord our God,
who has searched us and known us and is acquainted with all our ways;
you know our foolishness, and our sins are not hidden from you.
If you, Lord should mark iniquities, who shall stand?

But you, O God, are gracious, long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy,
forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin.

O merciful Father, who has said,
Fear not, for I have redeemed you,

and who has given your Son to be the propitiation for our sins,
let your pardoning mercy absolve us from all our guilt.
Cleanse us from secret faults;
keep back your servants also from presumptuous sins;
restore unto us the joy of your salvation,
and uphold us with your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen.

- **Assurance of pardoning grace - Psalm 34:8**

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

- **Praise 1287: "Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery", (M. Boswell, M. Papa and M. Bleecker, tune: Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery)**

1 Come behold the wondrous mystery

In the dawning of the king
He, the theme of Heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

2 Come behold the wondrous mystery

He, the perfect son of man
In his living, in his suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in him, we stand

3 Come behold the wondrous mystery

Christ, the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption

See the father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

4 Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death, the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when he comes.

- **Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:13-25**

- **Offering**

- **Prayers of thanksgiving and request**

- **Psalm 69:7-14, (Sing Psalms, tune: Psalm 12=Donne Secours)**

7 For your sake, LORD, I must endure derision;
my face is covered with contempt and shame.

8 Even my brothers do not recognise me;
to mother's sons a stranger I became.

9 Because devotion to your house consumes me,
those who insult you turn their taunts on me;

10 And when I mourn with tears of grief and fasting,
I must endure their scorn continually.

11 When, I, in grief and mourning, put on sackcloth,
the people laugh at me the whole day long

12 The elders at the city gate deride me;
I am the subject of the drunkard's song.

13 But, LORD, I pray in this your time of favour:
in your great love deliver me, O God.

14 Save me from sinking in the miry waters;

deliver me from those who hate me, LORD.

- **Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:47-72**
- **Sermon: "Arrested, Tried and Denied"**
- **Praise 496: "See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph", (Christopher Wordsworth, tune: Bethany)**

1 See, the conqueror mounts in triumph,
see the King in royal state,
riding on the clouds, his chariot,
to his heavenly palace gate!
Hear the choirs of angel voices
joyful hallelujahs sing,
and the gates on high are opened
to receive their heavenly King.

2 Who is this that comes in glory,
trumpets sounding jubilee?
Lord of battles, God of armies,
he has gained the victory;
he who on the cross once suffered,
he who from the grave arose,
he has conquered sin and Satan,
he by death has spoiled his foes.

3 He has raised our human nature
through the clouds to God's right hand;
there we sit in heavenly places;
there with him in glory stand:
Jesus reigns, adored by angels:
Man with God is on the throne;
mighty Lord, in your ascension
we by faith behold our own.

4 Glory be to God the Father;
glory be to God the Son,
dying, risen, ascending for us,

who the heavenly realm has won;
glory to the Holy Spirit;
to one God in Persons three,
glory, both in earth and heaven,
glory, endless glory, be.

- **Benediction**