



## Welcome to our Sunday Service

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Matthew 9:14-17

**Welcome:** David Horrocks

### Psalm 65

- <sup>1</sup> Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion;  
to you our vows will be fulfilled.
- <sup>2</sup> You who answer prayer,  
to you all people will come.
- <sup>3</sup> When we were overwhelmed by sins,  
you forgave our transgressions.
- <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those you choose  
and bring near to live in your courts!  
We are filled with the good things of your house,  
of your holy temple.
- <sup>5</sup> You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds,  
God our Saviour,  
the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas,
- <sup>6</sup> who formed the mountains by your power,  
having armed yourself with strength,
- <sup>7</sup> who stilled the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the turmoil of the nations.
- <sup>8</sup> The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;  
where morning dawns, where evening fades,  
you call forth songs of joy.
- <sup>9</sup> You care for the land and water it;  
you enrich it abundantly.  
The streams of God are filled with water  
to provide the people with corn,  
for so you have ordained it.
- <sup>10</sup> You drench its furrows and level its ridges;  
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.
- <sup>11</sup> You crown the year with your bounty,  
and your carts overflow with abundance.
- <sup>12</sup> The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;  
the hills are clothed with gladness.
- <sup>13</sup> The meadows are covered with flocks  
and the valleys are mantled with corn;  
they shout for joy and sing.

## **Confession:**

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against You in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may serve You in newness of life  
to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

## **Song:**

Depth of Mercy, can there be  
Mercy reaching even me?  
God, the Just, His wrath forbears:  
Me, the chief of sinners spares.  
So many times my heart has strayed  
From His kind and perfect ways,  
Making clear my desp'rate need  
For His blood, poured out for me.

Give me grace, Lord, let me own  
All the wrongs that I have done.  
Let me now my sins deplore,  
Look to you and sin no more.  
There for me the Saviour stands,  
Holding forth His wounded hands;  
Scars which ever cry for me,  
Once condemned, but now set free

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## **Prayer:**

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks  
for all your goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be  
unfeignedly thankful,  
and that we might show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives,  
by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour  
and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Prayers

### The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen

### Reading: Matthew 9:14-17

<sup>14</sup> Then John's disciples came and asked him, 'How is it that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?'

<sup>15</sup> Jesus answered, 'How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast.'

<sup>16</sup> 'No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. <sup>17</sup> Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out, and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.'

### Talk: Julian Bidgood

### Song:

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;*

*All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,*

*Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*continued...*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

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*Morning by morning new mercies I see;*

*All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,*

*Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Great is Thy faithfulness ...*

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## Final Prayer

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### Next Week

We continue our series in Matthew 8-9  
and David Horrocks will be speaking on Matthew 9:18-26.



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