

Sunday 1st November 2020

4pm, Arborfield Green Community Centre



Welcome to Church@TheGreen, a new church for the new community of Arborfield Green established by the existing Churches of Arborfield and Barkham. At the heart of our church family life is a trust in the living God who has revealed himself in Jesus Christ and who still speaks to us through his Word, the Bible.

We are so happy to be back together in person, even if things are a bit different to what we're used to. There is no singing during the service at the moment, but feel free to read and reflect on the words or hum along if you like. If you are visiting us, please fill in a visitor form (for the purposes of track and trace) and do introduce yourself to Piers (Minister) or Phil (Ministry Trainee)

We are continuing our series on the ministry of Jesus in Matthew's gospel. Joël will be speaking on Matthew 17:22-27.

As we adjust to meeting in person again, please pay attention to the safety measures in place and if you have any questions, do let Piers or Phil know.

WELCOME – Phil Rowlandson

Psalm 117

- ¹ Praise the Lord, all you nations;
extol him, all you peoples.
² For great is his love towards us,
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.
Praise the Lord.

Confession

Our Father in heaven, we have sinned against You, we have disobeyed and ignored You; please forgive us the wrongs we have done -
for being selfish and greedy, for bad temper and angry words,
we are sorry.
For hurting others, for lies we have told,
for things we have stolen, for the wrong in our hearts,
we are sorry.
For not trying to please You, for not helping others,
we are sorry.
Please forgive us through Your Son Jesus Christ who died for our sin.
Help us to live lives which please You. Amen.

Song

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong

Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood

Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

O sing hallelujah!...

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore

O sing hallelujah!...

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Reading – Matthew 17:22-27

²² When they came together in Galilee, he said to them, 'The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. ²³ They will kill him, and on the third day he will be raised to life.' And the disciples were filled with grief.

²⁴ After Jesus and his disciples arrived in Capernaum, the collectors of the two-drachma temple tax came to Peter and asked, 'Doesn't your teacher pay the temple tax?'

²⁵ 'Yes, he does,' he replied.

When Peter came into the house, Jesus was the first to speak. 'What do you think, Simon?' he asked. 'From whom do the kings of the earth collect duty and taxes – from their own children or from others?'

²⁶ 'From others,' Peter answered.

'Then the children are exempt,' Jesus said to him. ²⁷ 'But so that we may not cause offence, go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin. Take it and give it to them for my tax and yours.'

Sermon – Joël Carle

Song

Broken one, take heart
For your King has entered in
Made your heart his home
When he washed away your sin
In the darkest day, know your shame is all gone
When he looks at you, God will see his Son
At the throne of grace, he says “sinner, come”

Waiting one, take heart
For your King will soon return
Ending every strife
He will reign upon the earth
In the longest day, know the vict’ry is won
Do not fear the world, he has overcome
You are safe in him covered by his love

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Hurting one, take heart
For your King will walk beside
With each rising sun
Every grace he will provide
In the hardest day, he will never forsake
For he knows your grief, and he feels your pain
When the world gives way, Jesus will remain

Prayers

God at Work

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Please stay seated after the service until told. This will help us maintain spacing as we leave the building. Please head to the car park promptly to avoid blocking any walkways

Please take your service sheet home with you

Thank you!

SERMON NOTES



The Big Quiz Night, Online! – 14th November 7:30pm

It's become a staple of the CTG calendar and great opportunity to raise money for Tearfund. The booking page is up and running, the Zoom meeting is scheduled, the questions are ready; the only thing missing is you and your friends! Obviously teams are difficult to arrange this year, but feel free to take part as an individual, or get creative...