

# Welcome to our Sunday Service

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# Romans 8:5-11 - New desires

Welcome: Julian Bidgood

## Song:

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is written on His hands, My name is hidden in His heart; I know that while in heaven He stands No power can force me to depart, No power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb, My perfect, sinless righteousness; The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace! One with my Lord I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood; My life is safe with Christ on high, With Christ, my Saviour and my God, With Christ my Saviour and my God.

### **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:

No one is good No one is holy before God. I need someone to cleanse me. No one is pure No one is righteous in Your sight. I need someone to save me. But I'm so glad You died and rose again for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty, Saviour You are. What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are. You can wash away my sin. You can change my heart within. What a mighty, mighty Saviour You are.

Sin is too strong for me to conquer on my own. I need someone to help me. I am too weak. I cannot change my evil heart. I need someone to save me. But I'm so glad You died and rose again for helpless sinners like me.

What a mighty, mighty ....

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## Reading: Psalm 119:9-16

<sup>9</sup> How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word. <sup>10</sup> I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. <sup>11</sup> I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. <sup>12</sup> Praise be to you, Lord; teach me vour decrees. <sup>13</sup>With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth. <sup>14</sup> I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches. <sup>15</sup> I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways. <sup>16</sup> I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.

Prayers: Michael Byrne

### Reading: Romans 8:1-11 – Karen Pugh

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

<sup>5</sup> Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. <sup>6</sup> The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

### Song:

There is a hope that burns within my heart, That gives me strength for every passing day; A glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part, Yet drives all doubt away: I stand in Christ, with sins forgiven; And Christ in me, the hope of heaven! My highest calling and my deepest joy, To make His will my home.

There is a hope that lifts my weary head, A consolation strong against despair, That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit, I find the Saviour there! Through present sufferings, future's fear, He whispers 'courage' in my ear. For I am safe in everlasting arms, And they will lead me home.

There is a hope that stands the test of time, That lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave, To see the matchless beauty of a day divine When I behold His face! When sufferings cease and sorrows die, And every longing satisfied. Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul, For I am truly home.

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#### Next Week

We continue in Romans 8 and Julian Bidgood will be speaking on verses 12-17, 'Children of God'.

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