

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021**  
*4pm, Arborfield Green Community Centre*



**Welcome to Church@TheGreen.** We are 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. 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).

Today, Piers is concluding our series in Thessalonians. The service is shorter this week as there are no children's groups but there is still a self-service creche for those under 5. Do feel free to stay after the service and talk in groups of up to 6 or two households.

## Welcome

### Song

O lift your eyes to heaven, see  
The Holy One eternal  
Behold the Lord of majesty  
Exalted in His temple  
As symphonies of angels praise  
Now strain to sound His glory  
Come worship, fall before His grace  
The King in all His beauty

*How worthy, how worthy, how worthy  
The King in all His beauty*

Now see the King who wears a crown  
One made of shame and splinters  
The sacrifice for ruined man  
The substitute for sinners  
As earth is stained with royal blood  
And quakes with love and fury  
He breathes His last and bows His head  
The King in all His beauty

*How worthy, how worthy, how worthy...*

Now see the Saviour lifted up  
The Lamb who reigns in splendour  
The hope of every tribe and tongue  
His kingdom is forever!  
Bring praise and honour to His courts  
Bring wisdom, power, blessing  
For endless ages we'll adore  
The King in all His beauty

*How worthy, how worthy, how worthy...*

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## Family Focus

### Confession

Lord, we cry to you  
from the depths of our being:  
let your ears be open  
as we plead for mercy.  
If you kept a record of our sins  
none of us could stand before you;  
but you alone can forgive us,  
therefore we come to you in awe.  
Lord, we wait for you  
and in your promise we put our hope;  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

**Reading – 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28, Page 1188**

**Sermon – Piers Bickersteth**

### 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

## Song

Come and stand before your maker  
Full of wonder, full of fear;  
Come behold his power and glory  
Yet with confidence draw near,  
For the one who holds the heavens  
And commands the stars above  
Is the God who bends to bless us  
With an unrelenting love.

*Rejoice!*

*Come and lift your hands and raise your voice;*

*He is worthy of all praise,*

*Rejoice!*

*Sing the mercies of your King*

*And with trembling, rejoice.*

We are children of the promise,  
The beloved of the Lord.  
Won with everlasting kindness,  
Bought with sacrificial blood.  
Bringing reconciliation  
To a world that longs to know

The affections of a father  
Who will never let them go

*Rejoice!...*

All our sickness, all our sorrows  
Jesus carried up the hill.  
He has walked this path before us,  
He is walking with us still;  
Turning tragedy to triumph,  
Turning agony to praise,  
There is blessing in the battle  
So take heart and stand amazed.

*Rejoice!*

*When you cry to Him, He hears your voice*

*He will wipe away your tears*

*Rejoice!*

*In the midst of suffering, He will help you sing*

*Rejoice!...*

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## ***SERMON NOTES***

### **Instructions for continuing in Christ**

1. Love your leaders - 12-13
2. Love each other – 14-15
3. Love the Lord – 16-22
4. Depend on the Lord – 23-24