

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021**  
**St Peter's Pedmore**



**Notices**

Welcome to worship for Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May for St Peter's Pedmore. Please contact David Nichol 01562 229470 for more information about future services.

**In need of prayer? Please ring Graham 01562 886756.**

Please do remember the financial needs of the churches. If you would usually bring your gift to church and make a donation on the day, please either send it to the appropriate church treasurer, or, if you would like your gift collected, please phone David Reeson on 01562 882641 (*for St Peter's*) or Michael 01562 885659 (*for St Andrew's*).



Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Donations can be left in the porch at 128 Ham Lane or phone 01562 720393 to arrange collection or bring them to church when it is open. To make a donation of money, see [www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk) or send cheques by post to

*Black Country Foodbank, Albion Street, Brierley Hill, DY5 3EE.*

**St. Peter's Community Support**



**If you need support during this latest lockdown - with shopping, pharmacy trips - any other help - or a listening ear..... please phone Mary (01562 - 720393) or Pauline (01562 - 883783)**

## Worship for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Welcome and Notices

### Call to Worship

We meet in the presence of God

**All: who knows our needs,  
hears our cries,  
feels our pain,  
and heals our wounds.**

Be with us, Spirit of God;

**All: nothing can separate us from your love.**

Breathe on us, breath of God;

**All: fill us with your saving power.**

Speak in us, wisdom of God;

**All: bring strength, healing and peace.**

The Lord is here.

**All: His Spirit is with us.**

### Song

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;**  
to His feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like thee His praise should sing?  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour  
to our fathers, in distress;  
Praise Him still the same for ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore Him;  
ye behold Him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before Him;  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

## **Christian Aid Week 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May**

Florence's story

### **Christian Aid Notices**

#### **Saying Sorry to God**

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,  
this is your world and we are your people:  
come among us and save us.  
We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;  
Lord, be merciful:

**All: forgive us our sin.**

We have seen the ill-treatment of others  
and have not gone to their aid;  
Lord, be merciful:

**All: forgive us our sin.**

We have condoned evil and dishonesty  
and failed to strive for justice;  
Lord, be merciful:

**All: forgive us our sin.**

We have heard the good news of Christ,  
but have failed to share it with others;  
Lord, be merciful:

**All: forgive us our sin.**

We have not loved you with all our heart,  
nor our neighbours as ourselves;  
Lord, be merciful:

**All: forgive us our sin.**

May God who loved the world so much  
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour  
forgive us our sins  
and make us holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Bible Reading**

**Acts Chapter 8: verses 26 - end**

## **Song**

**Only by grace can we enter**

Only by grace can we stand  
Not by our human endeavour  
But by the blood of the Lamb

Into Your presence You call us  
You call us to come  
Into Your presence You draw us  
And now by Your grace we come  
Now by Your grace we come

Lord, if You marked our transgressions, who would stand?  
Thanks to Your grace we are cleansed by the blood of the Lamb  
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## **Bible Reading**

**John Chapter 15: verses 1 - 8**

## **Talk**

## **Song**

**Beauty for brokenness**

Hope for despair

Lord in the suffering

This is our prayer

Bread for the children

Justice Joy Peace

Sunrise to sunset  
Your Kingdom increase

Shelter for fragile lives  
Cures for their ills  
Work for the craftsman  
Trade for their skills  
Land for the dispossessed  
Rights for the weak  
Voices to plead the cause  
Of those who can't speak

*God of the poor  
Friend of the weak  
Give us compassion we pray  
Melt our cold hearts  
Let tears fall like rain  
Come, change our love  
From a spark to a flame*

Refuge from cruel wars  
Havens from fear  
Cities for sanctuary  
Freedoms to share  
Peace to the killing-fields  
Scorched earth to green  
Christ for the bitterness  
His cross for the pain  
*God of the poor.....*

Rest for the ravaged earth  
Oceans and streams  
Plundered and poisoned  
Our future, our dreams  
Lord, end our madness  
Carelessness, greed  
Make us content with  
The things that we need

*God of the poor....*

Lighten our darkness  
Breathe on this flame  
Until your justice burns  
Brightly again  
Until the nations  
Learn of Your ways  
Seek Your salvation  
And bring You their praise

*God of the poor.....*

## **Statement of Faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.  
We believe in God the Father,  
**All: from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

We believe in God the Son,  
**All: who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
**All: who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God;  
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## **Prayers**

### **The Collect**

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the world  
and the wonder of your risen life:  
give us compassion and courage  
to risk ourselves for those we serve,

to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen**

## **The Lord's Prayer – Christian Aid Video**

**All: 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.**

## **Final Song**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied

For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live  
There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## **Blessing**

May the Lord bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

May the Lord make his face to shine upon us,  
and be gracious to us.

**Amen.**

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon us  
and give us peace.

**Amen.**

May the Lord God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
the holy and undivided Trinity,  
guard us, save us,  
and bring us to that heavenly city,  
where he lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*And may the blessing .....*

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