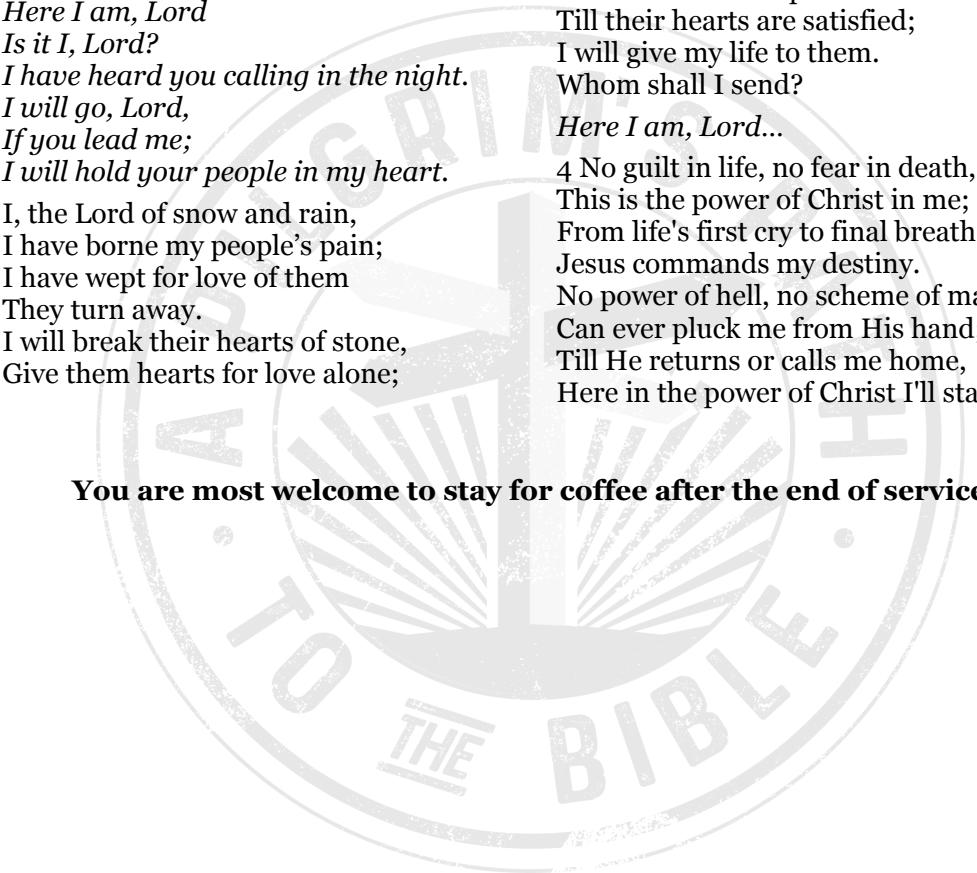


Hymn

I the Lord of sea and sky;
I have heard my people cry;
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night
I will give their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
If you lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.
I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone;*

You are most welcome to stay for coffee after the end of service



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I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord...

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts are satisfied;
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord...

4 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!



The Parish of Foxcote with Shoscombe

MISSION SUNDAY MORNING PRAISE

11.15am - Sunday 6th October 2019 - 16th after Trinity

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better." – Ephesians 1:17

Welcome

Hymn Tune:Woodlands

- 1 Go forth and tell! O church of God, awake!
God's saving news to all the nations take;
proclaim Christ Jesus, saviour, Lord, and king,
that all the world his worthy praise may sing.
- 2 Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;
he will in grace respond to all who call:
how shall they call if they have never heard
the gracious invitation of his word?
- 3 Go forth and tell where still the darkness lies;
in wealth or want, the sinner surely dies:
give us, O Lord, concern of heart and mind,
a love like yours which cares for all mankind.
- 4 Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:
share God's good gifts-let no one be denied;
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.
- 5 Go forth and tell! O church of God, arise!
go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;
go till all nations his great name adore
and serve him, Lord and king for evermore

Confession

Merciful God, you call us to love our neighbour as ourselves, to testify to the reality of our faith through the love we show to others. It all sounds so wonderful in theory, but when it comes to practice we let you down so miserably. Forgive us. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Forgive us our failure to live up to your calling over this past week - the lost opportunities and wasted moments, the angry words and unkind comments, the thoughtless deeds and careless actions - all the ways we have denied you through our actions. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Forgive us for those times when we have ignored those in need - too preoccupied with our own affairs, too concerned about our own pleasures, too protective of our own interests - all the ways we have denied you through our failure to act. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Forgive us all the ways we have brought sorrow rather than joy, hurt rather than healing, despair rather than hope, doubt rather than faith. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Forgive us the love we have failed to show, the care we have failed to express, the support we have failed to give, the pardon we have failed to offer. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, cleanse and renew us through your grace, cultivate what is good in our lives, and root out that which is bad. Restore us through your love, and recreate us by your power, so that we may learn to love others with the love you have faithfully shown to us. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The collect for the 16th Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn

*Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is Lord*

1 O when I was a seeker
I sought both night and day
I asked the Lord to guide me
And he showed me the way *Chorus*

Reading – Ephesians 1:15-23

15 For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, 16 I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. 17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. 18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength 20 he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Talk -'Missionary Musings' - Matthew Street

Hymn Tune: Fulda LM

1 We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

2 Tell of his birth at Bethlehem
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim,
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

3 Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the Cross;
for all he loved his life he gave.

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray to the God of heaven and earth for the growth of the kingdom. May the kingdom grow in clusters of Christians all over the world; may it grow as hearts are warmed by encounter with the living God; nourished by word and sacrament, private prayer and public worship. Lord of heaven: **let the kingdom grow!**

May the kingdom grow in states, empires and monarchies, in the crowded streets of cities and in the scattered rural communities; in all decision-making and all spending. Lord of heaven: **let the kingdom grow!**

May the kingdom grow in every human shelter and home, every place of work and education, in each conversation and in our mutual care of one another. Lord of heaven: **let the kingdom grow!**

May the kingdom grow to bring peace and healing wherever there is pain or sadness; to bring reassurance, comfort, courage and hope. Lord of heaven: **let the kingdom grow!**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Blessing and Dismissal - We stand for the Blessing and Dismissal

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go now, redeemed in love, renewed in faith, restored in strength, and refreshed in spirit. Return to your journey of discipleship, in the name of the risen Christ who goes before you. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

4 Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

5 Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified.
He sends his Spirit on his Church
to live for him, the Lamb who died.

6 Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel-message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.