



# Loving Witnessing Growing

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Trinity 12

## THE GATHERING

### WELCOME AND INSTRUCTIONS

Priest: We come from scattered lives to meet with God.  
Let us recognise his presence with us.

### SUNG WORSHIP: KING OF KINGS

**King of Kings, Majesty,  
God of heaven, living in me.  
Gentle Saviour, closest friend,  
strong deliverer,  
beginning and end,  
all within me falls at Your throne.**

*Your Majesty, I can but bow,  
I lay my all before You now.  
In royal robes I don't deserve,  
I live to serve Your Majesty.*

**Earth and heaven worship You,  
God Eternal, faithful and true.  
Who bought the nations,  
ransomed souls,  
brought this sinner  
near to Your throne,  
all within me cries out in praise.**

*Your Majesty...*

Leader: As God's people we have gathered:

**All: We come as we are,  
we will leave changed by the love of God.**

## LISTENING TO THE WORD

### GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 16:21-28

### CONFESSION

Priest: Lord, forgive us.

**All: Christ, have mercy.**

### ABSOLUTION

### SUNG WORSHIP: BROKEN VESSELS

**All these pieces,  
broken and scattered,  
in mercy gathered  
mended and whole.  
Empty handed  
but not forsaken  
I've been set free,  
I've been set free.**

*Amazing grace,  
how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now I am found,  
was blind but now I see.  
Oh I can see You now.  
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes.  
Laying Yourself down,  
raising up the broken to life.*

You take our failure.  
You take our weakness.  
You set Your treasure  
in jars of clay.  
So take this heart, Lord,  
I'll be Your vessel,  
the world to see Your life in me.

*Amazing grace...*

SERMON FOR CHILDREN

SUNG WORSHIP: BE STILL MY SOUL

Be still my soul,  
the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross  
of grief or pain;  
leave to your God  
to order and provide;  
in every change  
He faithful will remain.  
Be still my soul, your best,  
your heavenly friend  
through thorny ways  
leads to a joyful end.

Be still my soul,  
your God will undertake  
to guide the future  
as He has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence  
let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious  
shall be bright at last.  
Be still my soul,  
the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them  
while He dwelt below.

Be still my soul, when dearest  
friends depart  
and all is darkened  
in the vale of tears.  
Then shall you better  
know His love, His heart,  
who comes to soothe  
your sorrow and your fears.  
Be still my soul,  
your Jesus can repay  
from His own fullness  
all He takes away.

Be still my soul,  
the hour is hast'ning on  
when we shall be  
forever with the Lord;  
when disappointment,  
grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot,  
love's purest joys restored.  
Be still my soul,  
when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed  
we shall meet at last.

SERMON

SUNG WORSHIP: WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

**What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear.**

**What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer.**

**O what peace we often forfeit.**

**O, what needless pain we bear  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations?**

**Is there trouble anywhere?**

**For we should never**

**be discouraged;**

**take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?**

**Jesus knows our every weakness;**

**take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy laden  
cumbered with a load of care?**

**Precious Saviour still our refuge;  
take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Do thy friends despise,  
forsake thee?**

**Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**In his arms He'll take**

**and shield thee,**

**thou wilt find a solace there.**

**What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear.**

**What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer..**

INTERCESSIONS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All:           Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name...**

NOTICES

SUNG WORSHIP: BE THOU MY VISION

**Be Thou my vision,**

**O Lord of my heart,  
nought be all else to me,  
save that Thou art.**

**Thou my best thought  
in the day or the night,  
waking or sleeping,  
Thy presence my light.**

**Be Thou my wisdom,  
be Thou my true word,  
I ever with Thee  
and Thou with me Lord.**

**Thou my great Father  
and I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling,  
and I with Thee one.**

**Be Thou my battle-shield,  
sword for my fight,  
Be Thou my dignity,  
Thou my delight.  
Thou my soul's shelter,  
and Thou my high tower,  
raise Thou me heavenward,  
O power of my power.**

Riches I heed not,  
nor man's empty praise,  
Thou my inheritance  
now and always.  
Thou and thou only,  
the first in my heart,  
high King of heaven,  
my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven,  
my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heaven's Son!  
Heart of my own heart,  
whatever befall,  
still be my vision,  
O ruler of all!

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*A blessing is said, followed by*

Leader: Go into the world in peace, be of good courage;  
love without borders; share without fear; seek with passion  
and pray without ceasing.

Go to love and serve the Lord;

**All: As family, we go to love, witness and grow  
for God's glory in our world.**