



Loving Witnessing Growing

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THE GATHERING

SUNG WORSHIP: GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH

**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
hold me with Thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore;
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.**

**Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer,
be Thou still
my Strength and Shield.
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be Thou still
my Strength and Shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's
destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee;
songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee.**

**O, to finally say goodbye,
bid my anxious fears,
bid my anxious fears.
Land me safe on Canaan's side,
bid my anxious fears,
bid my anxious fears,
goodbye...**

WELCOME AND INSTRUCTIONS

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

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 13:13-17

CONFESSION

Priest: Our hearts can grow dull, our ears are hard of hearing
and we can shut our eyes to your truth.

**All: Forgive us when we listen but fail to understand,
when we look but cannot perceive.
We turn back to you and ask for you to heal us.**

ABSOLUTION

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SUNG WORSHIP: OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
open the eyes of my heart;**

I want to see you.

I want to see you. (Repeat)

*To see you high and lifted up,
shining in the light of your glory.*

*Pour out your power and love
as we sing holy, holy, holy.*

READING: ACTS 28:23-31

SERMON

SUNG WORSHIP: IMMORTAL INVISIBLE

**Immortal, invisible,
God only wise,
in light inaccessible
hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
Thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting,
and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting,
Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains
of goodness and love.**

INTERCESSIONS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

NOTICES

**Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy.
I want to see you.**

**Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee,
all veiling their sight;
of all Thy rich graces
this grace, Lord, impart;
take the veil from our faces,
the vile from our heart.**

**All laud we would render:
O help us to see
'tis only the splendour
of light hideth Thee,
and so let Thy glory,
almighty, impart;
through Christ in His story,
Thy Christ to the heart.**

SUNG WORSHIP: BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE

**Come, set Your rule and reign
in our hearts again
increase in us we pray.
Unveil why we're made.**

**Come,
set our hearts ablaze with hope
like wildfire in our very souls,
Holy Spirit come invade us now.
We are Your church.**

We need Your power in us.

**We seek Your kingdom first,
we hunger and we thirst,
refuse to waste our lives
for You're our joy and prize.
To see the captive hearts released.**

**The hurt, the sick,
the poor at peace.**

**We lay down our lives
for Heaven's cause.**

We are Your church.

We pray: revive this earth.

*Build Your kingdom here
let the darkness fear.*

*Show Your mighty hand,
heal our streets and land.*

Set Your church on fire.

Win this nation back.

Change the atmosphere.

*Build Your kingdom here
we pray.*

**Unleash Your kingdoms power
reaching the near and far.**

**No force of Hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts.**

You made us

for much more than this.

Awake the kingdom seed in us.

**Fill us with the strength
and love of Christ.**

We are Your church.

We are the hope on earth.

Build Your kingdom here...

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.