SUNDAY WORSHIP AT HOME 26th July 2020

Welcome everyone.

<u>During this worship we will visualise</u> <u>ourselves in Communion together</u>

We prayer - Loving God, As we worship you today, we are physically apart by Spiritually together because you see us where we are, Jesus meets us, your Holy Spirit joins us all together as Christs' community. We praise you for the wonder of your total love for all you have created. We ask you to forgive us for when our love for all others falls short of Yours. As we turn to face You, You forgive us, and we receive your Holy Spirit, Your multifaceted power for life's journey. AMEN

Let's sing this beautiful hymn together....

Breathe on me breath of God, fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love
And do what thou would do.

Breathe on me breath of God until my heart is pure Until my will is one with Thine to do and to endure.

Breathe on me breath of God, till I am wholly thine
Until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine

Breathe on me breath of God, so shall I never die But live with Thee the perfect life of Thine eternity

And we continue in praise as we sing....

I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say this is the day that the Lord has made
I will rejoice for He has made me glad
He has made me glad, He has made me glad
I will rejoice for He has made me glad
He has made me glad, He has made me glad
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OUR BIBLE READINGS

2 Timothy 1 verse 9-10 - He has saved us and called us to a holy life. Not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus.

<u>1 Peter 2 9-10</u> - But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Reflecting on God's word - On my break we went camping in Colwell Bay (all the way to the other side of the Island). On Sunday morning we went for a walk and I took the Sunday worship at home sheet with me. I hadn't realised the time was approaching 10.30 but suddenly heard church bells ringing, I remember being thankful for their reminder. I sat on a bench in the sun and worshipped with you all, looking out from Victoria Fort over the Solent to Bournemouth. It was really peaceful, but the church bells kept ringing and ringing, ever couple of minutes. It wasn't until I had come to the end of worship that I found out the 'church bells' which called me to worship were actually a 'buoy' out to sea which was ringing loudly to signal the powerful & potentially dangerous currents along that stretch of water.

I got to thinking about how Gods' Spirit called me to worship through a new and unexpected means. We mustn't think that God only communicates and calls through the obvious and expected because His ways of communication are numerous. Think about the ways Gods' Spirit has spoken to you?

The buoy itself calls out to people warning them of the danger of going that way, and to ignore the warning is literally life-threatening, lives have been lost. Gods' Spirit calls us away from things which can harm us or cause harm to others, forgiving us when we turn our lives around again.

The buoy has a bright light at night. God's Spirit calls and communicates to directs, instruct, teach, lead and show us His Way forward, a Way which will bring light and hope to our lives and others. Listen for the bell, look for the light, recognise the whisper, study his Word for the Way, trust your future in His hands.

Let's sing together

I want to walk with Jesus Christ All the days I live of this life on earth; To give to Him complete control of body and of soul.

Follow Him, follow Him, yield your life to Him, He has conquered death, He is King of kings; Accept the joy which He gives to those Who yield their lives to Him.

I want to learn to speak to Him, to pray to Him, confess my sin; To open my life and let Him in for joy will then be mine: Chorus

I want to learn to speak of Him,
My life must show that He lives in me;
My deeds, my thoughts, my words must speak
All of His love for me Chorus

I want to learn to read His word,
For this is how I know the way
To live my life as pleases Him, in holiness and joy:
Chorus

O Holy Spirit of the Lord,
Enter now into this heart of mine;
Take full control of my selfish will,
And make me wholly Thine: Chorus

And now, in our minds, we will visualize a time of **HOLY COMMUNION**. We use the

words below - taking time to pause & think

We sing - As we are gathered Jesus is here
One with each other Jesus is here
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood
Part of the body, the Church of God
As we are gathered Jesus is here
One with each other Jesu is here.



We sit for a moment, thinking of each other....... We remember the last supper .. picturing Jesus sitting with his disciples round a table......

We watch Jesus stands, and pick up **the bread**.... He looks at us and we hear Him says

'this is my Body, broken for you..."
We hold out our empty hands......

We picture Jesus placing bread onto them.......
We then pause as Jesus places the bread in the hands of our brothers and sisters......
We raise our hands to our mouth and breathe in the gift of love Jesus is giving - we are part of the broken, worshipping, praying, body of Christ.....

We watch now as Jesus raises **the cup of wine**..... Jesus stands in front of us, and offers this to us..... We imagine taking the cup and holding it in our hands and we breathe in the words Jesus says....

"you are a child of God, forgiven & free, yet part of the suffering world. The gift of heaven on earth, & heaven beyond earth, is yours."

We breathe in the wonderful gifts of God.... Thank you God of Heaven and earth. Amen



Thankful and blessed

<u>Let us pray -</u> As we pray Lord, we ask that your Church and people throughout the world will be fired up again to carry out acts of love without exception, restrictions and without limits.

- We pray Lord that everything which encourages people in goodness, honesty and compassion will be blessed & grow.
- -We pray that prejudice and deceit will cease.
- -We pray for people throughout the world near and far whose spiritual and physical health, and their circumstances are of great concern, bless them with healing and peace.
- -We pray for Governments and leaders throughout the world as they continue to make decisions relating to Covid 19.
- -We remember all who have come to the end of this earthly life and rejoice to see you face to face. We thank you for your love and faithfulness to us as we continue to find Your way forward.
- -We pray in silence or our own needs....... Accept these prayers, in the name of Jesus Christ, our God the Ultimate Divine Power. AMEN

<u>Our offering</u> - Lord, all we have comes from you first, bless these gifts given and laid aside, to be used for your Kingdom purposes AMEN

Let's sing together -

BE THOU MY VISION, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art; Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word, Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord; Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son; Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower:
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my
power.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise: Be Thou mine inheritance now and always; Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart: O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after victory is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

<u>A BLESSING -</u> May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always on your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face, may the rain fall soft upon your field, and until we meet again, may God hold you in His hand. May the blessing of the Father, Son and Spirit be ours.