OPENING MUSIC: You're still God

Watch video https://youtu.be/R pYrJ8MLUY

Please listen to this song

as we shall sing it later in the service.

When all foundations have been shaken, when I'm left standing in the dark, and all I feel is my heart breaking:
You still reign and You're still God.

And when it feels all hope has faded, the heavy questions hit so hard and though my soul may feel forsaken: You still reign and You're still God.

Though I can't see what's before me, I know that I can trust Your heart-and this one truth will be my story: You still reign and You're still God.

I will declare that You are with me though voices whisper that You're not. You'll never leave me nor forsake me 'cause You still reign and You're still God.

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Though I can't see what's before me...

When my enemies surround me, I'll trust the victory of Your cross and fix my eyes upon You, Jesus: for You are God and I am not.

You are good and You are faithful as You have been from the start. You work in all things for Your glory: You still reign and You're still God.

Though I can't see what's before me...

Yes, this one truth will be my story: You still reign and You're still God!

Philippa Hanna, Tony Wood, Matt Armstrong, Jonny Bird © 2020 Integrity Music

WELCOME and NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Colossians 1:19-20)

One: God in all his fullness

was pleased to live in Christ; through him God reconciled everything to himself.

All: God made peace with everything in heaven and on earth through Christ's blood shed on the cross.

SONG: Christ is the one who calls (T: Love Unknown)

Watch video https://youtu.be/ZCksFjfFOBk

Christ is the one who calls, the one who loved and came, to whom by right it falls to bear the highest Name: and still today our hearts are stirred to hear his word and walk his way.

Christ is the one who seeks, to whom our souls are known. The word of love he speaks can wake a heart of stone; for at that sound the blind can see, the slave is free, the lost are found.

Christ is the one who died, forsaken and betrayed; who, mocked and crucified, the price of pardon paid.
Our dying Lord, what grief and loss, what bitter cross, our souls restored!

Christ is the one who rose in glory from the grave, to share his life with those whom once he died to save. He drew death's sting and broke its chains, who lives and reigns, our risen King.

Christ is the one who sends,
his story to declare;
who calls his servants friends
and gives them news to share.
His truth proclaim in all the earth,
his matchless worth and saving Name.

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PRAYER

ALL-AGE TALK

SONG: Don't be afraid

Watch video https://youtu.be/lyWSwejTtSA

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger, my love is stronger than your fear.

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger and I have promised, promised to be always near.

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BIBLE READINGS (Reader: Janis Hogg)

Act 22: 1-22 (ICB)

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REFLECTIONS

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PRAYERS for OTHER PEOPLE and OURSELVES (led by Susan Wong)

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.

SONG: I lift my eyes (T: Danny Boy)

Watch video https://youtu.be/O-ElLu2naUl

I lift my eyes to see the risen conqueror, declared in power to be the Son of God, who bore the curse of Adam's disobedience, who brings unnumbered blessings by his blood. The angels sing in joyful adoration for death is swallowed up in victory and countless souls long held in death's dominion walk with their Saviour on the way of life, set free.

Long lay our world in sombre shades of darkness: the light extinguished and all comfort gone.

Only the flickering flame of ancient promises sustained the hope that light would be reborn.

And then he came, the Hope of every nation, with power to still that restless storm of old; and, oh, his love to plumb such depths of darkness and rise triumphant with me safely in his hold.

I do not live but Jesus lives within me; by grace I'm raised and sit with him on high; his power at work to fit me for the glory of everlasting resurrection life. Until that day, I'll walk in faith and holiness: a glorious joy empowers each step I take, for soon I'll see my risen Saviour, the one I'll love for ever, face to face.

Now unto Christ, the Son of God, who loved me and to the Father, whose embrace awaits, and to the Spirit, Lord of new creation, we bring our ransomed lives, our sacrifice of praise. Sam Brewster © 2024 Joyful Noise

THE BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC: Though I feel afraid

Watch video https://youtu.be/wlbgbPKWffM

Though I feel afraid of territory unknown, I know that I can say that I do not stand alone.
For Jesus, You have promised Your presence in my heart; I cannot see the ending, but it's here that I must start.

And all I know is You have called me, and that I will follow is all I can say; I will go where You will send me and Your fire lights my way.

What lies across the waves may cause my heart to fear.
Will I survive the day?
Must I leave what's known and dear?
A ship that's in the harbour is still and safe from harm, but it was not built to be there.
It was made for wind and storm.

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Next week: Before the High Council (Acts 23)

PRAYER

If you would like someone to pray with you, members of the prayer team will be glad to meet with you after the service, at the front of the hall.

PASTORAL CARE

Please let us know of anyone who would like a telephone call, or a visit at home or in hospital. Please phone Margaret Webster on 672347.

TONIGHT: TCC PRAYER MEETING

7.15pm in the church hall (small hall) All welcome.

Penicuik Trinity Community Church (Church of Scotland)



Welcome to our service today, September 8th 2024

Whether you come here regularly, or are a visitor, we are glad that you can be with us today.

We hope you'll join us after the service for tea/coffee and fellowship.

KIDSPACE

If you have children with you today, we have activities for them during the service.

Please ask a welcomer, or listen out for announcements from the front.

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