

'We can, as Christians, feel uncomfortable with language that seems triumphalistic. But the bible is clear that those who set themselves against God will one day have to contend with the King He chooses. Christians around the world face persecution from those who rage against their maker...'

*newscottishhymns.com*

**OPENING MUSIC: Though the nations gather**  
(based on Psalm 2)

Watch video <https://youtu.be/4uaYyHcRfYY>

*Please listen to this song  
as we shall sing it later in the service.*

Though the nations gather in their rage,  
all the plans they make are vain,  
though they seek to claim his rightful throne  
and usurp his Anointed's reign.

Let the kings of earth all stand ashamed,  
let the lawless foe be still,  
for the mighty God installs his king  
on Zion's holy hill,  
on Zion's holy hill, on Zion's holy hill,  
for the mighty God installs his king  
on Zion's holy hill.

Though the rebel's wrath inflames the lands,  
let the trembling soul recall  
the Lord shall laugh,  
whose kingdom stands so far above them all.

Give ear, O kings – would you be free?  
Then let this counsel stand.  
Your power derives from Christ's decree,  
so kiss his gracious hand.

Rejoice, you servants of the King,  
for who can match his power?  
And trust your fragile lives to him  
to save us in that hour,  
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**WELCOME and NOTICES**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 67)

One: May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face shine on us;

All: **that your ways may be known on earth,  
your saving power among all nations.**

**SONG: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Watch video <https://youtu.be/rCnQNwQG5GI>

Praise to the Lord,  
the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is your health and salvation!  
All you who hear,  
now to his temple draw near,  
join in profound adoration!  
Praise to the Lord,  
above all things so mightily reigning;  
keeping us safe at his side and so gently sustaining.  
Have you not seen  
all you have needed has been  
met by his gracious ordaining?  
Praise to the Lord,  
who will prosper our work and defend us!  
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend us.  
Ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
who with his love will befriend us.

Praise to the Lord!  
O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that has life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the 'Amen!'  
sound from his people again,  
now as we worship before him!

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**PRAYER & ALL-AGE TALK**

**SONG: Bless the Lord, O my soul! (Ten thousand reasons)**

Watch video <https://youtu.be/Y2l987spN-I>

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
worship His holy name!  
Sing like never before, O my soul!  
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;  
it's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
let me be singing when the evening comes.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul...*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger;  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing:  
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul...*

And on that day when my strength is failing;  
the end draws near and my time has come;  
still my soul will sing Your praise unending.  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul...*

*Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman © 2011 Thankyou Music, Atlas  
Mountain Songs*

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*See OPENING MUSIC for the words.*

**BIBLE READING (Reader: Heather Nicholas)**

**Revelation 2:18-29 (International Children's Bible)**

**REFLECTIONS**

**SONG: I heard the voice of Jesus say** (*Rowan Tree*)

Watch video <https://youtu.be/PsgZ8d0zoRg>

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down  
thy head upon my breast':

I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary and worn and sad;  
I found in him a resting place,  
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one;  
stoop down and drink and live':  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's Light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright':  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk  
till travelling days are done.

*Horatius Bonar (1808-89) (Public Domain)*

**PRAYERS for OTHER PEOPLE and OURSELVES**

**(led by Sheila Anderson)**

**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: Be Thou my Vision**

Watch video <https://youtu.be/XiukM6WHQEQ>

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and 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 the fight;  
Be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,  
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tower;  
raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, 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 sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

*Irish, 8th cent., tr. ME Byrne (1880-1931) rev. EH Hull (1860-1935)*

**THE BLESSING**

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**PRAYER**

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

**Penicuik Trinity Community Church  
(Church of Scotland)**



**Welcome  
to our service today,  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

**Whether you come here regularly,  
or are a visitor,  
we are glad that you can be with us today,  
and hope you'll join us after the service  
in the hall,  
for a bowl of soup and some fellowship.**

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**Next week (in the church hall)  
"Message to the Christian community in Sardis  
(Revelation 3)  
The service will include  
the celebration of Holy Communion**

Church website: [penicuiktrinitycommunity.church](http://penicuiktrinitycommunity.church)

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You will be very welcome.

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then each Tuesday evening thereafter.

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**10<sup>th</sup> September, 10.00am**

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**A quiet shared space where it's OK not to be OK**

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### **PASTORAL CARE**

If you would like a phone call,  
or know of anyone else who would,  
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