OPENING MUSIC: How Long? (Psalm 13)

Watch video https://youtu.be/8m0EuxknSFw

How long, O Lord, will you forget my plea and hide the beauty of your face from me? How long must I persuade my doubting soul to put my trust in your control?

How long, O Lord, must I endure each day while still the sorrow in my heart remains? How long will every battle bring disgrace and lead me near to death's embrace?

Look on me and hear my cry, give light to my eyes.

Yet I will trust in your steadfast love, rejoice in your saving grace, for you have always been good to me and, Lord, I will sing your praise. (Cadenza)

How long before we see our hope revealed, when all our brokenness at last is healed? How long until your glory fills the skies and we behold you with our eyes?

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Yet I will trust in your steadfast love... Yet I will trust in your steadfast love... (Cadenza) © Tim Chester, Phil Moore / Resound Worship

WELCOME and NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Jude 17-18, 20-21)

One: My dear friends, remember the warnings you were given by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. They told you that in the world's final age, selfish and godless people would start making fun of holy things.

But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith.

All: Let the Holy Spirit guide and help us when we pray.

By doing these things, we remain in God's love as we wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus to bring us eternal life.

SONG: Great father of glory (T: Immortal, Invisible)

Watch video https://youtu.be/H76L3bqH7Cc? list=PLiH8SxyNwkiEfPrEUgvovLMfC MvA4EwD

Great father of glory, how rich is your grace, what wonderful love is displayed in your face! In Jesus your visible image we view, and hope to be made in his likeness anew.

In Jesus we're chosen, we're washed in his blood; our sins all forgiven, at peace with our God!
And more, we're adopted; God's sons we appear, and led by the Spirit we boldly draw near.

To seal our adoption God sent from on high his Spirit, through whom, 'Abba, Father,' we cry; and yet, with creation, we wait eagerly for final adoption and bodies set free.

All praise to our Saviour, who paid the great price, he calls us his brothers, we're co-heirs with Christ! We're sons of the Father, he calls us his own, and what we shall be has not yet been made known.

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PRAYER

ALL-AGE TALK (John)

SONG: He will hold me fast

Watch video https://youtu.be/SxwsHv9dII8

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; when the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.

I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; for my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; for my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast. Those He saves are His delight,

Christ will hold me fast; precious in his holy sight,

He will hold me fast.

He'll not let my soul be lost;

His promises shall last;

bought by Him at such a cost,

He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast....

For my life He bled and died,

Christ will hold me fast;

justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.

Raised with Him to endless life,

He will hold me fast

'till our faith is turned to sight,

when He comes at last!

He will hold me fast....

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BIBLE READINGS (Reader: Mary Darling)

Acts 20: 17-38 (GW)

REFLECTIONS

SONG: In Christ alone my hope is found

Watch video https://youtu.be/piCXtnNy6ns

In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song;

this cornerstone, this solid ground,

firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,

when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My comforter, my all-in-all,

here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! —who took on flesh,

fulness of God in helpless babe!

This gift of love and righteousness,

scorned by the ones he came to save:

till on that cross as Jesus died,

the wrath of God was satisfied—for every sin on him was laid;

here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain: then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave he rose again! And as he stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am his and he is mine—bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.

No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand; till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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PRAYERS for OTHER PEOPLE and OURSELVES (led by Joyce MacLean)

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: The church's one foundation

Watch video https://youtu.be/Qejjb5IKMbk

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food; as to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed; by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed; yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?" and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore: till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest; and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest!

Yet she on earth has union with those whose rest is won, and mystic, sweet communion with God the Three-in-One;
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Samuel J Stone (1839-1900) (Public Domain)

THE BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC: Go now in peace

Watch video https://youtu.be/jQg2XqZcZjl
Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Amen, amen, amen.

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Penicuik Trinity Community Church (Church of Scotland)



Welcome to our service today, August 11th 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.

Next week: Jerusalem bound

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.

Church website: www.penicuiktrinitycommunity.church

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