

Sunday 18th April 2021

Deacon Sally Wheadon's testimony Service led by Revd Dawn Saunders

*"When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.
Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.""*

*This short act of worship has been prepared for you to use whilst we are unable to use Methodist Church premises.
We invite you to spend a few moments with God, knowing that other people are sharing this act of worship with you.*

Call to worship & Lighting of Candle

Lift your eyes to gaze on God.
Hear God's Word and receive God's
peace. With all that you have been,
all that you are, and all that you hope
to be, Offer yourself now to God in
worship and praise. Amen.



Opening Hymn/Song: MP 307

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,

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I will rejoice

for He has made me glad.

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**Opening Prayers: Adoration and
Thanksgiving – Revd Jenny
Pathmarajah.**

*For the world in which you have placed
us, for the people with whom we share
our daily experiences of life.
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For those who provide our needs and
comfort us in our despair; for those
who lift us when we are down, who
accept us as we are; and forgive us
even when we are wrong.
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For those whose words and deeds
makes the Love of God real to us; for
those whose lifestyle is so shaped by
the presence of the Father, that are
beacons of hope in a dark, dark world.
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For those whose warm hearts have
revealed the renewing and enabling
power of the Holy Spirit; for those lives
which demonstrated the fruit and the
gifts of the Spirit's presence.
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For the servants of God whose vision
has brought us to this time and place;
for those through the years stood firm
for Christ; for those who have finished
the race and won the prize
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For our life in Christ and the fellowship
of all his people; for freedom to
worship and good news to share. For
opportunities for evangelism and
mission of caring.
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

*For gathering together in the name of
Christ; for oneness in him and the
promise of wholeness both now and to
come; for the God who had the first
word and assures us he will have the
last; for the one who is worthy
We thank the Lord.*

And we celebrate with joy!

No: 177 "Celebration and Joy" from "500 prayers for
all occasions". David Clowes.

StF 287

1When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the cross of Christ my God;
the very things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3See from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4His dying crimson, like a robe,
spreads o'er his body on the tree;
then am I dead to all the globe,
and all the globe is dead to me.

5Were the whole realm of nature
mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

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Message from Dawn and Intro to Deacon Sally's Testimony

StF 345

1And can it be that I should gain

An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be - That
thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2'Tis mystery all : the Immortal dies!
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
Let angel minds enquire no more.

3He left his Father's throne above -
So free, so infinite his grace -
Emptied himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me!

4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray -
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light,
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ,
my own.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
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Psalm 139:1-18

Diane Huddleston (Bethlehem)

1 O LORD, you have searched me and known me. 2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. 3 You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

4 Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. 5 You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it. 7 Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? 8 If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. 9 If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, 10 even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. 11 If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," 12 even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day,

for darkness is as light to you. 13 For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. 16 Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. 17 How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end[a]—I am still with you.

John 21:1-14

Richard Quenault (Bethesda)

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. 2 Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin,[a] Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. 3 Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

4 Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." 6 He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. 7 That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the

Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. 8 But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards[b] off.

9 When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. 10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." 11 So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. 12 Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

StF 357

1 Jesus-the name high over all,
in hell, or earth, or sky!
Angels revere, and nations fall,
and devils fear and fly.

2 Jesus-the name to sinners dear,
the name to sinners given!
It scatters all their guilty fear,
it turns their hell to heaven.

3 Jesus-the prisoner's fetters breaks,
and bruises Satan's head; power
into strengthless souls it speaks,
and life into the dead.

4 O that the world might taste and see
the riches of his grace!
The arms of love that compass me
would all the earth embrace.

5 His only righteousness I show,
his saving grace proclaim;
'tis all my business here below,
to cry: 'Behold the Lamb!'

6 Happy if with my latest breath
I may but gasp his name;
preach him to all, and cry in death:
'Behold, behold the Lamb!'

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Sermon:

Revd Danny Wheadon

The roll CALL

C He Chose

A He's Able

L You're to Learn

L You're to Love

StF 272

1 From heaven you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
he calls us now to follow Him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

2 There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

3 Come see His hands and His feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice;
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.

4 So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone Him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

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Prayers of Intercession:

Jean Treleven Sally Noels

(Circuit Stewards)

Let us pray

We come together today Lord to share in this special service and pray for those in our thoughts.

For all who play a part in our circuit and in particular we think of Deacon Sally in the work that she does to help and support those within her churches and community and all who work along side her.

God of Love Hear our Prayer

For homes and families going through a difficult time, we especially think of the Royal family as they mourn the loss of a valued family member in Prince Philip. May this time be also a time of coming together and healing.

God of Love Hear our Prayer

For those in government whether here in Jersey or further afield as decisions are made that will impact all of our lives, especially as we begin the return to normal while also keeping everyone safe.

God of Love Hear our Prayer

For our island and communities everywhere as we come to terms with the continuing impact of coronavirus, on our schools, businesses and people's well-being, help those who are struggling with the changes that this year has brought.

God of Love Hear our Prayer

For those who feel lonely, isolated and unwelcome, please help us to show

them your love and care and make our communities places of trust and friendship, where all are known and cared for:

God of Love Hear our Prayer

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to your grace and mercy –

Accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father ...

StF 503

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,

Joy of heaven, to earth come down:
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,

Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless may we be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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Benediction & Blessing

Revd Dawn Saunders

Lord Jesus, go with us into the world
this week Help us to remain focused
upon you and to make your priorities
our priorities in all the places you are
sending us. Amen.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God and the fellowship of
the Holy Spirit be with you and all
whom you love and are called to love,
this day and evermore. **Amen.**

