

Worship for Sunday 7th August



Greeting

Welcome in the name of Jesus. Peace be with you.

All Amen, and also with you!

Call to worship

As we come into God's presence,
let us open our hands and hearts,
let us invite God to fill us with the treasure of his Spirit –
the treasure of his compassion for others,
and the treasure of his unconditional love for us.

Gathering Prayer

God of all,
we thank you for being here with us.
We thank you that in your presence
we find heavenly riches beyond any earthy treasure.
As we come to worship,
help us to seek and find the treasure of your kingdom,
so we can live our earthly lives holding treasure
that will transform us – right here and right now.

All Amen.

Collect

Lord God,
your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake:
when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from despair,
that we may trust in you alone;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

Song:

Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
And He holds us in His hands
He's higher than a skyscraper
He's deeper than a submarine
He's wider than the universe
And beyond my wildest dreams
He's known me and He's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of
God's amazing plan

Confession (Saying Sorry to God)

Trusting in God's forgiveness,
let us confess our failings
and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world:

**All Forgive us, O God,
for lacking the faith to trust in you,
putting our trust instead in the things we possess.
Forgive us, O God,
for lacking the faith to follow your Son,
putting our needs first before the needs of others.
Forgive us, O God,
for lacking the faith to trust your Holy Spirit,
putting fear and despair in the place of hope.
Amen.**

God's forgiveness is declared

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour
forgive you your sins
and make you holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.



What do you worry about and why?
How does worrying make you feel?

Reading: Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock. For it is your Father's good pleasure to give the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to those in need. This will store up treasure for you in heaven! And the purses of heaven never get old or develop holes. Your treasure will be safe; no thief can steal it and no moth can destroy it. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be. Be dressed for service and keep your lamps burning, as though you were waiting for your master to return from the wedding feast. Then you will be ready to open the door and let him in the moment he arrives and knocks. The servants who are ready and waiting for his return will be rewarded. I tell you the truth, he himself will seat them, put on an apron, and serve them as they sit and eat!

Pause for Thought

Song:

Chorus

He's got the whole world, in His hand,
He's got the whole wide world, in His hand,
He's got the whole world, in His hand,
He's got the whole world, in His hand.

He's got the wind and the rain, in His hand,
He's got the wind and the rain, in His hand,
He's got the wind and the rain, in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.

Chorus

He's got the sun and the moon, in His hand,
He's got the sun and the moon, in His hand,

He's got the sun and the moon, in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.

Chorus

He's got the plants and the creatures, in His hand,
He's got the plants and the creatures, in His hand,
He's got the plants and the creatures, in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.

Chorus

He's got everybody here, in His hand,
He's got everybody here, in His hand,
He's got everybody here, in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.

Chorus

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

All 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.

Statement of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God:

All We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,

who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Song:

Chorus

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.

Chorus

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.

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul sings Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus

Final Prayer

Lord, go with us.
Help us to seek your treasure.
Help us to look for all you're doing right now.
Help us – by our example as much as by our words –
to share your treasure and your life-giving story

with the people we meet this week.

All Amen.

Blessing

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Ending

**All We go into the world
to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love
and to reflect God's glory
in the name of Christ,
Amen.**