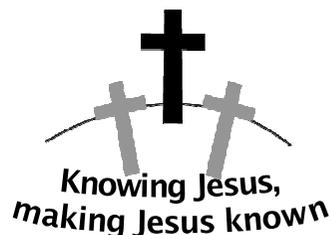


# The Anlaby Churches Sunday Worship

Sunday 3rd May 2020,



*We are a Christ-centred community existing to spread a passion for Jesus Christ across the Anlaby communities and beyond.*

*Due to the restrictions put in place by the Coronavirus outbreak we are meeting virtually.*

***Today's theme is our Good Father.***

## PRAISING GOD

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will – to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. Amen (*Ephesians 1:3-6*)

## Song of Praise - Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sx1eMwIDFb8>

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven who like thee his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King! Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness!	Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes: Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows! Angels, help us to adore him, ye behold him face to face; sun and moon bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace!
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## Prayer of Praise

### Children - Introducing Faith in Kids Sunday school resource

<https://faithinkids.org/resources/app/resource/164/title/we-need-jesus-lesson-1-we-need-a-rock-to-build-our-lives-on>

Video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C4s82qwA5YQ&feature=youtu.be>

### Song - Your Love

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r9ajEQpKYo4>

*Your love will last forever  
It's like a mighty river  
That flows and flows forever  
Never stopping  
Your awesome love protects me  
When I sin Your love corrects me  
You're faithful to direct me  
Always to Your love  
And when I think of all You've done  
There's no love greater than this  
You freely gave Your precious Son  
To die for all my sins  
Your love will last forever...*

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## ENGAGING WITH GOD

### A prayer saying sorry to God

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,**

**forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

This is how God showed his love among us: he sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:9-10)

**Our God fulfils his promises  
and is true to his word.  
We have confessed our sins.  
God has forgiven us,  
because Christ died for us.  
Amen.**

**Song - How Deep the Father's Love For Us**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzQj7XvKFmA>

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar  
the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.  
Behold the man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer;  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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## **HEARING FROM GOD**

### **First Bible Reading - Ephesians 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup>may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup>and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

### **Pause**

### **Second Bible Reading - Matthew 7:7-11**

<sup>7</sup>'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup>For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>9</sup>'Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup>Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? <sup>11</sup>If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Talk**

## **RESPONDING TO GOD**

### **Listen - Good, Good Father**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ak0OoFBw3c>

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like  
But I've heard the tender whispers of love in the dead of night  
And you tell me that you're pleased  
And that I'm never alone

*You're a good good father  
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are  
And I'm loved by you  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide  
But I know we're all searching  
For answers only you provide  
'Cause you know just what we need  
Before we say a word  
*You're a good good father  
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are  
And I'm loved by you  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*  
Because you are perfect in all of your ways  
You are perfect in all of your ways  
You are perfect in all of your ways to us  
You are perfect in all of your ways  
You are perfect in all of your ways  
You are perfect in all of your ways to us  
Oh, it's love so undeniable  
I, I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable  
I, I can hardly think  
As you call me deeper still  
As you call me deeper still  
As you call me deeper still  
Into love, love, love  
*You're a good good father... (Repeat)  
You're a good good father  
You are perfect in all of your ways  
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are  
And I'm loved by you  
You are perfect in all of your ways  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

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### **Declaring what Christians have always believed**

**I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who out of nothing created heaven and earth  
and everything in them,  
who still upholds and rules them  
by his eternal counsel and providence,  
is my God and Father  
because of Christ his Son.  
I trust him so that I do not doubt  
he will provide whatever I need  
for body and soul,**

**and he will turn to my good  
whatever adversity he sends me  
in this sad world.**

**He is able to do this because he is almighty God;  
he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father. Amen**

*(from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 26)*

### **Prayers**

*The following responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 - We Declare**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xb8LKY4Owbq>

We are his kingdom  
we are his bride  
For us he paid the price  
For us he bled and died  
We are his people  
his treasured prize  
For us he conquered sin  
For he is risen  
With thankfulness we will sing  
With thankfulness we will sing  
*So we declare the praises  
Of Jesus Saviour and King  
He is the cornerstone Hallelujah  
And now we stand as his church  
Until the day when  
he comes in glory Hallelujah*

We are a priesthood beloved ones  
He draws the scattered near  
He builds his kingdom here  
A holy nation now set apart  
To be his hands and feet  
To speak his mercy  
With thankfulness we will sing  
Adopted now we are his  
*So we declare the praises  
Of Jesus Saviour and King  
He is the cornerstone Hallelujah  
And now we stand as his church  
Until the day when  
he comes in glory Hallelujah*

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### **Notices**

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. **Amen.**

*(Romans 8:14-16)*

### **Blessing**

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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