

**The Anlaby Churches
Sunday Worship
Sunday 21st June 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 at The Anlaby Churches YouTube channel.

Today's theme is our gracious God.

PRAISING GOD

When the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.

He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit

whom he poured out on us generously

through Jesus Christ our Saviour,

so that, having been justified by his grace,

we might become heirs

having the hope of eternal life. Amen. (Titus 3:4-7)

Song of Praise - Give thanks to the Lord (Forever)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6xxWGWpaUQ>

Give thanks to the Lord,
Our God and King:
His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things.

His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn.

His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

*Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever.*

From the rising to the setting sun,
His love endures forever.
By the grace of God, we will carry on.
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful,...

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Prayer of Praise

Children

Song - A Generous Heart

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FqIG4yKrX-k>

*God loves a generous heart, a generous heart
Yes, He does*

*God loves a generous heart, a generous heart
Cause that's a heart like His own heart
That's a heart like His own*

There are those who give away
It seems the more they give, the more they gain
There are others who hold back
The more they try to keep, the more they lack
The more they lack

God loves a generous heart...

God has shown us how to give
He offered up His Son so we might live
Jesus gave His precious blood
To wash us clean and bring us back to God
Back to God

God loves a generous heart...

We can't out give God
For He's the Giver of life
And ev'ry good thing
We can't out give God
He just keeps pouring out more
He's the wonderful King!

God loves a generous heart...

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TALKING TO 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.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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 - Grace Unmeasured

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LW5XT1LzORo>

Grace unmeasured, vast and free
That knew me from eternity
That called me out before my birth
To bring You glory on this earth
Grace amazing, pure and deep
That saw me in my misery
That took my curse and owned my blame
So I could bear Your righteous name

*Grace paid for my sins
And brought me to life
Grace clothes me with power*

*To do what is right
Grace will lead me to heaven
Where I'll see Your face
And never cease
To thank You for Your grace
Grace abounding, strong and true
That makes me long to be like You
That turns me from my selfish pride
To love the cross on which You died
Grace unending all my days
You'll give me strength to run this race
And when my years on earth are through
The praise will all belong to You
Grace paid for my sins
And brought me to life
Grace clothes me with power
To do what is right
Grace will lead me to heaven
Where I'll see Your face
And never cease
To thank You for Your grace*

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Declaring what Christians have always believed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(The Apostles' Creed)

HEARING FROM GOD

First Bible Reading - 1 Corinthians 16:1-3

Now about the collection for the Lord's people: do what I told the Galatian churches to do. ²On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. ³Then, when I arrive, I will give letters of introduction to the men you approve and send them with your gift to Jerusalem.

Second Bible Reading - 2 Corinthians 8

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ²In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵And they exceeded our expectations: they gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷But since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you – see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

⁸I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

¹⁰And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. ¹¹Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. ¹²For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.

¹³Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. ¹⁴At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, ¹⁵as it is written: 'The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little.'

¹⁶Thanks be to God, who put into the heart of Titus the same concern I have for you. ¹⁷For Titus not only welcomed our appeal, but he is coming to you with much enthusiasm and on his own initiative. ¹⁸And we are sending along with him the brother who is praised by all the churches for his service to the gospel. ¹⁹What is more, he was chosen by the churches to accompany us as we carry the offering, which we administer in order to honour the Lord himself and to show our eagerness to help. ²⁰We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. ²¹For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of man.

²²In addition, we are sending with them our brother who has often proved to us in many ways that he is zealous, and now even more so because of his great confidence in you. ²³As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker among you; as for our brothers, they are representatives of the churches and an honour to Christ. ²⁴Therefore show these men the proof of your love and the reason for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it.

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

Talk

COMMISSIONED BY GOD

Song - Amazing Grace

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tvt6E9N7AQw>

Amazing grace - how sweet the sound -
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;

'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

Notices

The grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope - the appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. Amen. (Titus 2:11-14).

Blessing

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

We hope you have enjoyed worshipping with us today. If you're new with us we'd love you to get in touch! Do email the vicar Steve at scfwilcox@yahoo.co.uk - he'd love to know how you heard about us, how you found the service, and if there's any way we can be of service at this time. For more information about what's going on at the Anlaby Churches please visit our website or look at our Facebook page - @AnlabyChurches.