

The shelter of God's love

Welcome

Call to Worship

Welcome in the name of the Lord.

We are glad to be here.

Open your hearts today to hear God's word for you.

We come to receive God's healing love.

We bring our struggles and worries

God's loving presence sustains and strengthens us.

We have made the Lord our refuge

We come to praise his holy name!

1st Hymn RS 74 Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation

We pray

Let us **praise God!**

Introduction to the reading:

Reading 1: Psalm 91

Whoever goes to the Lord for safety,
whoever remains under the protection of the Almighty,
can say to him,

"You are my defender and protector.

You are my God; in you I trust."

He will keep you safe from all hidden dangers
and from all deadly diseases.

He will cover you with his wings;

you will be safe in his care;

his faithfulness will protect and defend you.

You need not fear any dangers at night

or sudden attacks during the day

or the plagues that strike in the dark

or the evils that kill in daylight.

A thousand may fall dead beside you,

ten thousand all around you,

but you will not be harmed.

You will look and see

how the wicked are punished.

You have made the Lord your defender,

the Most High your protector,

and so no disaster will strike you,

no violence will come near your home.

God will put his angels in charge of you

to protect you wherever you go.

They will hold you up with their hands

to keep you from hurting your feet on the stones.

You will trample down lions and snakes,

fierce lions and poisonous snakes.

God says, "I will save those who love me

and will protect those who acknowledge me as Lord.

When they call to me, I will answer them;
when they are in trouble, I will be with them.
I will rescue them and honour them.
I will reward them with long life;
I will save them."

Children's Talk

2nd Hymn Sometimes I feel afraid(?) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_aYIXyBbeE

OR **RS518** Father I place into your hands

Prayer for the children before they leave for Junior Church

Anthem Lord in this thy mercy's day by John Cooke

Reading Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."

And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?"

And they said to him, "Appoint us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."

But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized,

but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,

and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many."

3rd Hymn RS 648 Jesu Jesu fill us with your love

Sermon

Music for reflection by the organist

4th Hymn RS 522 The servant king

Prayers of intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Prayer of thanks and dedication for offerings

Closing Hymn RS 586 All my hope on God is founded

Blessing

The Grace - said together