

Denham Parish Church Evening Prayer Wednesday, 31st March 2021, 6.00 pm

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WELCOME

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Let your ways be known upon earth your saving power among the nations

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be glory and praise for ever.

As we behold your Son, enthroned on the cross, stir up in us the fire of your love, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and walk with you in newness of life singing the praise of him who died for us and our salvation.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.

Amen.

Psalm 88

O Lord, God of my salvation, ♦ I have cried day and night before you.

Let my prayer come into your presence; ♦ incline your ear to my cry.

For my soul is full of troubles; ♦ my life draws near to the land of death.

I am counted as one gone down to the Pit; ◆ I am like one that has no strength,

Lost among the dead, ♦ like the slain who lie in the grave,

Whom you remember no more, ♦ for they are cut off from your hand.

You have laid me in the lowest pit, ♦ in a place of darkness in the abyss.

Your anger lies heavy upon me, ♦ and you have afflicted me with all your waves.

You have put my friends far from me ♦ and made me to be abhorred by them.

I am so fast in prison that I cannot get free; ♦ my eyes fail from all my trouble.

Lord, I have called daily upon you; ◆ I have stretched out my hands to you.

Do you work wonders for the dead? ♦ Will the shades stand up and praise you?

Shall your loving-kindness be declared in the grave, ♦ your faithfulness in the land of destruction?

Shall your wonders be known in the dark ♦ or your righteous deeds in the land where all is forgotten?

But as for me, O Lord, I will cry to you; ♦ early in the morning my prayer shall come before you.

Lord, why have you rejected my soul? ♦ Why have you hidden your face from me?

I have been wretched and at the point of death from my youth; ◆ I suffer your terrors and am no more seen.

Your wrath sweeps over me; ♦ your horrors are come to destroy me;

All day long they come about me like water; \understart they close me in on every side.

Lover and friend have you put far from me ♦ and hid my companions out of my sight.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

BIBLE READING Revelation 14.18 - 15.4

Then another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has authority over fire, and he called with a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, 'Use your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe.' So the angel swung his sickle over the earth and gathered the vintage of the earth, and he threw it into the great wine press of the wrath of God. And the wine press was trodden outside the city, and blood flowed from the wine press, as high as a horse's bridle, for a distance of about two hundred miles.

Then I saw another portent in heaven, great and amazing: seven angels with seven plagues, which are the last, for with them the wrath of God is ended.

And I saw what appeared to be a sea of glass mixed with fire, and those who had conquered the beast and its image and the number of its name standing beside the sea of glass with harps of God in their hands. And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb:

'Great and amazing are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, King of the nations! Lord, who will not fear and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your judgements have been revealed.'

Intercessions are offered

¶ for peace

¶ The persecuted Church

¶ All who are lonely

¶ All who are facing loss

¶ for individuals and their needs

¶ The oppressed peoples of the world

¶ All who are near to death

These responses may be used Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer (or) Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Standing at the foot of the cross, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray **Our Father in heaven...**

May Christ, who bore our sins on the cross, set us free to serve him with joy .**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.