



# Denham Parish Church

## Evening Prayer

**Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 6.00 pm**

To join us on Zoom:

Meeting ID: 898 4998 8454, Passcode: 189187176 or use this link:

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### WELCOME

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

In your resurrection, O Christ,  
**Let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord,  
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to you be glory and praise for ever.  
From the deep waters of death  
you brought your people to new birth  
by raising your Son to life in triumph.  
Through him dark death has been destroyed  
and radiant life is everywhere restored.  
As you call us out of darkness into his marvellous light  
may our lives reflect his glory  
and our lips repeat the endless song.  
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 98

1

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.

2

His own right hand and his holy arm  
have won for him the victory.

3

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4

He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness  
towards the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

5

Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth;  
break into singing and make music.

6

Make music to the Lord with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the voice of melody.

7

With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
sound praises before the Lord, the King.

8

Let the sea thunder and all that fills it,  
the world and all that dwell upon it.

9

Let the rivers clap their hands  
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.

10

In righteousness shall he judge the world  
and the peoples with equity.

*Lord God, just and true,  
you make your salvation known in the sight of the nations;  
tune the song of our hearts to the music of creation  
as you come among us to judge the earth;  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.*

**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

Luke 5.12-26

Once, when he was in one of the cities, there was a man covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he bowed with his face to the ground and begged him, 'Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean.' Then Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said, 'I do choose. Be made clean.' Immediately the leprosy left him. And he ordered him to tell no one. 'Go', he said, 'and show yourself to the priest, and, as Moses commanded, make an offering for your cleansing, for a testimony to them.' But now more than ever the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray.

One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. Just then some men came, carrying a paralysed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. When he saw their faith, he said, 'Friend, your sins are forgiven you.' Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, 'Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?' When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven you", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he said to the one who was paralysed—'I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home.' Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, 'We have seen strange things today.'

*Intercessions are offered*

¶ for peace

¶ for individuals and their needs

¶ The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord

¶ God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care

¶ Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ

¶ Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection

¶ Prisoners and captives

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
    you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Rejoicing in God's new creation, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**