



Denham Parish Church

Evening Prayer

Wednesday, 12th 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.

Your throne has been established from of old;
you are from everlasting. Alleluia.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
From the darkness of death you have raised your Christ
to the right hand of your majesty on high.
The pioneer of our faith, his passion accomplished,
has opened for us the way to heaven
and sends on us the promised Spirit.
May we be ready to follow the Way
and so be brought to the glory of his presence
where songs of triumph for ever sound:
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 24

1

The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it, ♦
the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.

2

For he has founded it upon the seas ♦
and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

3

'Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, ♦
or who can rise up in his holy place?'

4

'Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, ♦
who have not lifted up their soul to an idol,
nor sworn an oath to a lie;

5

'They shall receive a blessing from the Lord, ♦
a just reward from the God of their salvation.'

6

Such is the company of those who seek him, ♦
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

7

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors; ♦
and the King of glory shall come in.

8

'Who is the King of glory?' ♦
'The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.'

9

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors; ♦
and the King of glory shall come in.

10

'Who is this King of glory?' ♦
'The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.'

*O Lord of hosts,
purify our hearts
that the King of glory may come in,
your Son, Jesus our redeemer.*

**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

Colossians 2.20 - 3.4

If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the universe, why do you live as if you still belonged to the world? Why do you submit to regulations, 'Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch'? All these regulations refer to things that perish with use; they are simply human commands and teachings. These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-imposed piety, humility, and severe treatment of the body, but they are of no value in checking self-indulgence.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Intercessions are offered

¶ for peace

¶ for individuals and their needs

¶ God's royal priesthood, for empowerment by the Spirit

¶ Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal

¶ All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ

¶ The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests

¶ All who are struggling with broken relationships

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer

(or)

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ
to have ascended into the heavens,
so we in heart and mind may also ascend
and with him continually dwell;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Looking for the coming of his kingdom,
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 Christ, who has opened the kingdom of heaven,
bring us to reign with him in glory.
Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.