

Notices

Good Morning, and welcome to Tyndale on this second Sunday of February. If you are a visitor, with us on line or here in the church, I extend a special warm welcome and hope you feel at home with us.

This morning's service is being led by the Rev'd Rachel Haig and is the last service she will be conducting as our Community Minister. Rachel leaves us on Tuesday after a final farewell from coffee shop, having been here at Tyndale for the past nine years. Following this service I hope as many of you will be able to stay when refreshments will be served, and we will have the opportunity to share some time with Rachel, marking all that she has achieved through her ministry.

As already indicated a special Coffee Shop will take place here in the Sanctuary on Tuesday from 10am until 12 noon, when all those who have come to know Rachel as a friend and listening ear through her work with the wider community can show their appreciation for her ministry.

On to more mundane things, at our *time @tyndale* on Wednesday night the in-house catering department recently released from Nightshelter duties will be cooking for you. Please come along and share a good hearty meal and fellowship with your fellow diners. The doors open at 7.30 with refreshments and the meal is served at 8pm.

Our Thursday Zoom coffee shop takes place at 11.00am, with the sign in details being able to be obtained through the Tyndale web site.

Thank you.

Song 'To be in your presence'

Call to worship

One thing I have asked of the Lord,
this is what I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life;
to behold the beauty of the Lord
and to seek Him in His temple.

Call: Who is it that you seek?

Response: We seek the Lord our God.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your heart?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your soul?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your mind?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your strength?

Response: Amen. Christ, have mercy.

BPW 37 'Crown him with many Crowns'

Opening Prayer

Beyond us, and around us, you are maker of all and we offer you our worship for you are so much greater than we can think or imagine, yet as near to us as our breath, you know our deepest thoughts and feelings. All that we are is known to you, nothing is hidden and still it is love for us that is your first word to us. You have loved us from the beginning of our time and you will love us to the end of life.

In Jesus Christ you have made yourself known. In his life and death, we see you embrace our humanity and our fragility, in his life beyond death hope is born in us. And the same Spirit that was in Jesus, you have sent to us to help us, to guide us, to bring us your peace beyond our understanding.

We thank you for the ways in which we've known you in this past week, and we thank you that the week ahead will be filled with your presence. You already know what's in our hearts and minds today, our unbelief as well as our certainties. You know our fears and understand them, as well as our strengths which you are pleased with.

You have promised to share our journey and we confess our need of your Spirit's help, daily and we come here to grow in our faith.

You have tried to show us ways that lead to even greater peace. You have tried to share with us actions which speak of selfless love. And we thank you for the many ways our lives are made rich by the loving actions of others – for the care and support, the comfort and compassion we received.

We're sorry for the times when we fall into ways that are selfish, unkind, lacking in love towards our neighbours. Forgive us for the times we fail to see the needs of others or choose ways that separate us from those who are both near to us and far. Forgive us when we are less than you hope for and cannot see beyond our own desires.

So in this time together, help us to be present to you as you are present to us, as well as present to each other. Give us time and space to remember and to reflect, to tell you our worries and fears, to be reassured and reminded that you are God, our maker and are here with us, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

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 forever. Amen

Reading [Matthew 28: 16-20](#)

Song

On the cross, on the cross,
Where the King of glory died,
Here is grace, here is love
Flowing from the wounded side.
Amazing mystery that he should die for me
As a perfect sacrifice.
On the cross, on the cross,
Love incarnate on the cross.

At the cross, at the cross,
All my sin on Jesus laid.
Mine the debt, his the cost,
By his blood the price is paid.
And through his suffering, that fragrant offering,
Arms of love are opened wide.
At the cross, at the cross,
There is healing at the cross.

To the cross, to the cross,
Spirit, lead me to the cross.
Bowed in awe at his feet,
Richest gain I count as loss.
Nothing compares with this, to share his righteousness
And be called a child of God.
To the cross, to the cross,
Spirit lead me to the cross.

Geoff Baker

Response:

Today and tomorrow
In time and eternity
Your Kingdom come
In our world, in our streets,
In our homes and communities,
Your Kingdom come
In our lives, in our loves,
In our hopes and our travelling
Your Kingdom come

Song 'O God you search me and you know me'

Reading [Luke 15: 1-7](#)

Video [Lost sheep](#)

Declaration of faith

To whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life,
and we have believed and have come to know
that You are the Holy One of God.
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

Song 'There is none like you'

Sermon Lost

[I am not alone](#)

Prayers of Intercession

O God our maker, you have heard all our words and thoughts, you know our desires and motivations, you understand our actions and you see all of the moments when we have felt lost. We offer it all to you and thank you that you call to each one of us in ways we can understand, accepting our frailties and drawing out from us qualities that speak of grace and your likeness in us. Thank you that we are not alone in this world but can turn to you at any moment and find you beside us, surrounding us, calling to us by our name.

Today I want to pray for your people called Tyndale Baptist. In the midst of all the turmoil of the current days, help them to draw together and find strength in one another.

Give them wisdom as they seek someone to lead them beside the still waters, to lead them to the good pasture, to be with them through the difficult places, to love them into new ways of expressing your life within them.

Give them vision for the right pathways that enable them to be your witnesses to this neighbourhood and their neighbours. Keep opening all you have in store for the story is unfinished.

Give them courage when they look at the world around them and don't understand it or know how to respond to what is there.

Give them openness to your spirit that they will step out in faith towards those you are yet seeking. Yet also give them humility to accept the change that being open brings.

Give them a deep love for one another that reflects who you are and enables them to hear you speaking through each other. A love that is able to hold them through all the changing scenes of their lives. A love that is always growing and made new.

You are faithful to your promises and we thank you for your faithfulness throughout the generations. Pour out your blessing on Tyndale, for the sake of your kingdom, to the glory of your name, Jesus Christ, saviour and friend. Amen

Song 'Love of God revealed in wonder'

Words of Offering

We pause in this moment to recognise the gifts we each bring to our common life, for our money, time and talents offered for the building of God's Kingdom through Tyndale and beyond. We thank you for walking with us as we have shared in the work of the Nightshelter this year. May all that we have given be acceptable to you. May our time and energy, our listening and our providing, be like light in a dark place. We pray for the Phase 3 teams who begin this week. And we the guests that each will find a pathway that leads them to a home they can feel secure in and a place where they can flourish. In Jesus name.

So we share the grace with each other:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore, Amen.

Hymn 'Alleluia, raise the gospel' (Blessed, tremble, glory verses)

Bernadette Farrell

Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face;

*the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.
And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you this day
And remain with you always. Amen*