**Order of Worship**

**Introit: “*You Deserve the Glory****”*

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| ***You deserve the glory and the honour Lord we lift our hands in worship As we lift Your Holy name You deserve the glory and the honour Lord we lift our hands in worship As we lift Your Holy name*** | ***For You are great You do miracles so great There is no one else like You There is no one else like You You are great You do miracles so great There is no one else like You There is no one else like You*** |

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: In the presence of God, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses and in the company of mortals we worship God.

**R: With hearts of thanksgiving and mouths filled with praise we declare God’s mighty deeds.**

**Hymn: “Worship, and Thanks, And Blessing” (# 247 VIP)**

1. Worship, and thanks, and blessing,   
   And strength ascribe to Jesus!  
   Jesus alone defends his own,  
   When earth and hell oppress us.  
   Jesus with joy we witness  
   Almighty to deliver;  
   Our seals set to, that God is true,  
   And reigns a King for ever.
2. Omnipotent Redeemer  
   Our ransomed souls adore thee:  
   Our Saviour thou, we find it now,  
   And give thee all the glory.  
   We sing thine arm unshortened,  
   Brought through our sore temptation;  
   With heart and voice in thee rejoice,  
   The God of our salvation.
3. Thine arm has safely brought us  
   A way no more expected,  
   Than when thy sheep  
   Passed through the deep,  
   By crystal walls protected.  
   Thy glory was our rearward,  
   Thine hand our lives did cover,  
   And we, ev'n we, have passed the sea,  
   And marched triumphant over.
4. The world and Satan's malice  
   Thou, Jesus, hast confounded;   
   And, by thy grace, with songs of praise  
   Our happy souls resounded.  
   Accepting our deliverance,  
   We triumph in thy favour,  
   And for the love which now we prove  
   Shall praise thy name for ever.

**Charles Wesley (1707—1788)**

**Prayer of Adoration:**

L: In the company of fellow believers we exalt you this day God of mercy and might, for being ever present and for making yourself known to the world. You are the great I AM. You never cease to be God. You never change. You save souls, heal bodies, transform lives and set people free. As you stilled the water to allow your people safe passage across the Jordan, calm our souls. Draw near to us and attune our hearts to sing your praise. Living God, we declare you Lord and God and celebrate your power and amazing love. **Amen.**

L: *In silence we confess our sins to God, praying for forgiveness*

**The Confession:**

**ALL: Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your loving-kindness, according to the measure of your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from iniquities and cleanse me from my sins. I acknowledge my transgressions and my sin is ever before me. Hide your face from my sins and wipe away all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me out from your presence: or take away your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.**

L; God acquits those who confess their sinfulness to God. God’s forgiveness is yours today.

**R: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

**ALL: GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH, and on earth peace, goodwill to all. We praise you; we bless you; we worship you; we glorify you; we give thanks to you for your great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. You who take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. You who take away the sin of the world receive our prayer. You who sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For you only are holy; you only are the Lord; you only, O Christ with the Holy Spirit are Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Time of Praise:**

* **‘We Serve a Great Big Wonderful God’**

"We serve a great big wonderful God

A great big wonderful God

A God who's always victorious

Always watching over us

Great big wonderful God

* ***Jesus is my deliverer’***

1. Jesus is my provider  
   Jesus is my provider  
   Jesus is my provider  
   I know, he provides for me.
2. How do you know he provides?  
   How do you know he provides?  
   How do you know he provides?  
   I know he provides for me.
3. Jesus is my deliverer  
   Jesus is my deliverer  
   Jesus is my deliverer  
   I know, he delivered me.

1. How do you know he delivers?  
   How do you know he delivers?  
   How do you know he delivers?  
   I know he delivered me.

* ***‘He’s able, He’s able’***

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| *He’s able, He’s able*  *I know He’s able*  *I know my Lord is able*  *To carry me through*    *He’s able, He’s able*  *I know He’s able*  *I know my Lord is able*  *To carry me through* | He healed the broken- hearted  And set the captive free  He made the lame to walk again  And caused the blind to see |

**Children’s Ministry**

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Collect**

L: Let us all pray:

**ALL: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.**

**Hymn:  *‘STANDING on the Promises’* (VIP # 207a)**

1. Standing on the promises of Christ my King**,**Thro’ eternal ages let his praises ring;  
   Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,   
   Standing on the promises of God.

**Refrain:   
Standing, standing,   
Standing on the promises   
of God my Saviour;  
Standing, standing,  
I’m standing on the promises of God.**

1. Standing on the promises that cannot fail,  
   When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,   
   By the living word of God I shall prevail,

Standing on the promises of God.

1. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord**,**Bound to him eternally by love’s strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit’s sword,  
   Standing on the promises of God.
2. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,  
   Listening every moment to the Spirit’s call,  
   Resting in my Saviour, as my all in all,  
   Standing on the promises of God.

***Russell K. Carter (1849—1926)***

**Old Testament: *Joshua 3: 7-17 —* Sis. Lilieth Deacon**

**Epistle: *1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13 -* Bro. Paul Thorbourne**

**Gospel: *St. Matthew 23: 1-12 -* Rev’d Abasilum Smith**

**Sermon: *-* Rev’d Abasilum Smith**

**Response: (S*ilent Contemplation and prayer)***

**Announcements / Offering & dedication**

**Prayers of Intercession *— Rev’d Natoya Thomas-Smith***

L:God of the universe, the world and the people thereof need your light to penetrate dark places, to tear down strongholds, curtail the spread of contagious diseases and to improve human relations in every corner of the world.

**R: We pray for world leaders who continue to divide and rule and for nations under siege by violence, terrorism and incurable diseases. Grant Caribbean leaders the wisdom and resources needed to tackle the issues facing the region at this time.**

L:God our maker, Jamaicans are crying out for improved living conditions and renewed family life.

**R: Make the government of our land attentive to the needs of the people. In their quest to live as decent and law abiding citizens, satisfy their needs. Stir up within us the spirit of oneness and make families whole and strong again.**

L: God our help, your people need your intervention to deal with the perplexing realities of life.

**R: Grant relief to those struggling with their health, hope to those battered by the storms of life and comfort those in grief. Show forth yourself to those searching for joy and peace in this life. Help them to realize that to know God is to find peace and enjoy all the benefits of salvation.**

L: God our head, remember the church universal. Make her watchful always, even as she finds it difficult to keep pace with all the happenings of this life.

**R: May she forever run with perseverance the race set before us, mindful of the great cloud of witnesses surrounding us. Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper** *…. Pages 95-97* **(MPB)**

**Communion Hymn:** *“****Come Thou Everlasting Spirit”*****(# 427 VIP)**

1. Come, thou everlasting Spirit,   
   Bring to every thankful mind  
   All the Saviour's dying merit,  
   All his sufferings for mankind:
2. True recorder of his passion,  
   Now the living faith impart,  
   Now reveal his great salvation,  
   Preach his gospel to our heart.
3. Come, thou witness of his dying;  
   Come, remembrancer divine,  
   Let us feel thy power, applying  
   Christ to every soul, and mine.

***Charles Wesley* (1707-88)**

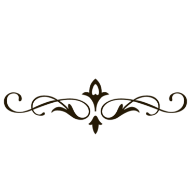
**Closing Hymn*:*** *‘*” **Give Me The Faith Which Can Remove”****(# 221 VIP)**

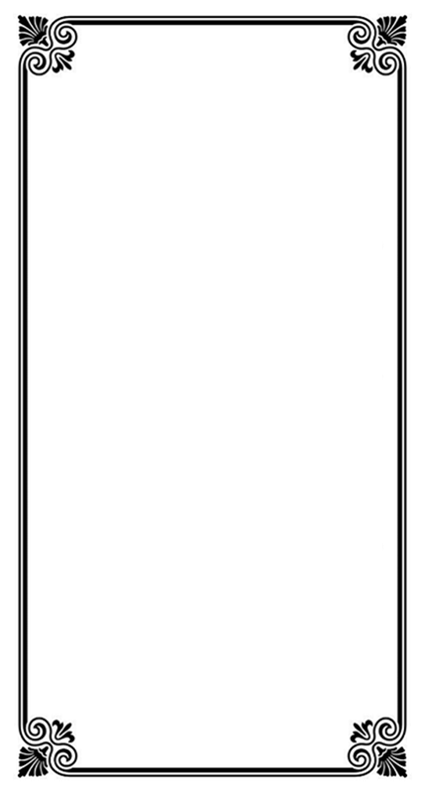
1. Give me the faith which can remove  
   And sink the mountain to a plain;  
   Give me the childlike praying love,  
   Which longs to build thy house again;  
   Thy love, let it my heart o'erpower,  
   And all my simple soul devour.
2. I would the precious time redeem,  
   And longer live for this alone:  
   To spend, and to be spent, for them  
   Who have not yet my Saviour known;  
   Fully on these my mission prove,  
   And only breathe, to breathe thy love.
3. My talents, gifts, and graces. Lord,  
   Into thy blessed hands receive;  
   And let me live to preach thy word,  
   And let me to thy glory live;   
   My every sacred moment spend  
   In publishing the sinners' friend.
4. Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart  
   With boundless charity divine:  
   So shall I all my strength exert,  
   And love them with a zeal like thine;  
   And lead them to thy open side,  
   The sheep for whom their Shepherd died.

***Charles Wesley (1707—1788)***

**Benediction:**

The God of peace sanctify you entirely. The Holy Spirit keep your spirit and soul and body sound and blameless as you await the coming of Christ. And the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you now and always. **Amen.**



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**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

22nd Lord’s Day after Pentecost

**Sunday, November 1, 2020**

**SERVICE OF WORD   
AND SACRAMENT**



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**Liturgist: Rev’d Natoya Thomas-Smith**

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**Sis. Marie Miller**

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**Praise Leader: Rev’d Natoya Thomas-Smith**

**District Bishop**: Rev’d Christine Gooden- Benguche

**District Secretary**: Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane

*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*