**Order of Worship**

**Introit: “Calm Me Lord…” - Saxthorpe Choristers**

**Call to Worship:**

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord, our God,

**C: Who made heaven and earth.**

L: Our salvation is in the Lord Jesus Christ,

**C: Who died for our sins and rose for our justification**

L: Our confidence is in the Holy Spirit,

**C: Who enables us to become God’s children.**

L: The Lord reigns!

**C: Let the earth rejoice.**

L: Our God reigns!

**C: We shall be glad and wait for his word.**

**Hymn: “Gather, Christians, Let’s God Celebrate…” [# 375 VIP]**

***Refrain:***

***GATHER, Christians, let’s now celebrate.
Gather, Christians, the Lord we now await.
Gather, Christians, behold he comes.
Rejoice and sing for the Lord is King!***

1. To God the Father, let’s give him praise.
To God the Father our voice we raise.
To God the Father who reigns above,
Praise the Lord for his mercy and his love!
2. As we stand before our God,
With Christ Jesus, our saving Lord,
We’ll break his word now, and break the bread,
As we proclaim: he’s risen from the dead!
3. Let us all now, as one community,
Praise and honour the Trinity,
Let us all now with one accord
Sing out our praise to the living Lord!

***Garfield Rochard***

**Prayer for Purity**

L: Minister “Let us all pray”

**ALL: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!**

**The Commandments of Our Lord Jesus**

L: Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is:
Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One: and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

L: The second is this: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

L: And a new commandment I give to you, that you love one another even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these your laws in our hearts we beseech you.**

L: Let us confess our sins to God and pray for forgiveness.

(Silent Prayer)

**Prayer of Confession**

**ALL: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against You and against each other, in thought and word and deed, in the evil we have done and in the good we have not done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve You in newness of life, to the glory of Your Name. Amen**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Hear then the good news. If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

**Hymn: “Forty Days and Forty Nights…” [# 78 VIP]**

1. FORTY days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild,
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted still, yet undefiled:
2. Sunbeams scorching day by day,
Chilly dewdrops nightly shed,
Prowling beasts about thy way,
Stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.
3. Shall not we thy sorrows share
Learn thy discipline of will;
And, like thee, by fast and prayer,
Wrestle with the powers of ill.
4. What if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh and spirit shall assail,
Thou, his vanquisher before,
Wilt not suffer us to fail.
5. Watching, praying, struggling thus,
Vict’ry ours at last shall be;
Angels minister to us,
As they ministered to thee.

**George H. Smyttan(1822-70)**

**Francis Pott (1832-1909) alt.**

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Collect**

**ALL: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace, 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 forever. Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 19**

*Led by***: Sis. Prudence Brown**

L: **1**The heavens are telling the glory of God;
    and the firmament[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2019&version=NRSV#fen-NRSV-14170a)] proclaims his handiwork.

**C: 2Day to day pours forth speech,
    and night to night declares knowledge.**

L: **3**There is no speech, nor are there words;
    their voice is not heard;

**C: 4yet their voice[**[**b**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2019&version=NRSV#fen-NRSV-14173b)**] goes out through all the earth,
    and their words to the end of the world.
In the heavens[**[**c**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2019&version=NRSV#fen-NRSV-14173c)**] he has set a tent for the sun,**

L: **5**which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
    and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**C: 6Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
    and its circuit to the end of them;
    and nothing is hid from its heat.**

L: **7**The law of the Lord is perfect,
    reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure,
    making wise the simple;

**C: 8the precepts of the Lord are right,
    rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear,
    enlightening the eyes;**

L: **9**the fear of the Lord is pure,
    enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true
    and righteous altogether.

**C: 10More to be desired are they than gold,
    even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey,
    and drippings of the honeycomb.**

L: **11**Moreover by them is your servant warned;
    in keeping them there is great reward.

**C: 12But who can detect their errors?
    Clear me from hidden faults.**

L: **13**Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
    do not let them have dominion over me.
Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

**C: 14Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

**The Gloria**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**EPISTLE:** I Corinthians 1:18—25 **- Pastor Clifton Brown**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**THE GOSPEL,** John 2: 13 – 22 **- Rev’d Dr. George Mulrain**

**C: Glory to you, O God.**

L: This is the Gospel of Christ.

**C: Praise be to Christ, our Lord.**

**Hymn: “Break Thou the Bread of Life…” [# 163 VIP]**

1. BREAK thou the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
As you did break the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek you Lord;
My spirit pants for you, O living Word!
2. You are the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me,
Your holy word the truth that saves e’en me;
Give me to eat and live with you above;

Teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

1. O send your Spirit, Lord, now unto me,
That he may touch my eyes, and make me see;
Show me the truth concealed within your word,
And in your book revealed I see the Lord.

***Mary A. Lathbury (1841-1913) v. 1***

***Alexander Groves (1842-1909)
vv. 2 and 3***

**Sermon - Rev’d Dr. George Mulrain**

**Item: “Wonderful, Merciful Saviour…” - Rev’d Dr. George Mulrain**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Offering**

**Prayers of Intercession** *(Please See Insert)*

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**: MPB PG 76-78

*(In homes, a* ***TABLE****, covered with clean white cloth, should stand in a convenient place in the room. The* ***BREAD****, baked or bought, is cut into sufficient small pieces so that each communicant might receive. The* ***WINE****, preferably grape juice or water, is placed on the table with the bread, and covered with a clean white cloth.)*

**HYMN: “Jesus Tek ‘Way All Wi Sin…” [# 431 VIP]**

***Refrain:
JESUS tek ‘way all wi sin,
den him gi wi bread fi eat,
an’ him gi we wine fi drink him body an’ him blood,
eternal life, eternal life, eternal life!***

1. When wi eat dis bread an’ when wi drink dis wine, is ’member we ’member him. *(rep. both lines)*When wi eat dis bread an’ when wi drink dis wine, is ’member we ’member di death of the Lord till him come again da King of Kings, da King of Kings.
2. When wi eat dis bread an’ when wi drink dis wine, is resurrection day. *(rep. both lines)*When wi eat dis bread an’ when wi drink dis wine, is die wi die di death to sin, an’ is rise wi rise to eternal life, eternal life.
3. If yu thirsty breda an yu soul a parch,
den run come a Jacob well.
If yu thirsty sista and yu heart get scorch,
then run come a Jacob well.
If yu thirsty breda an yu soul a parch,
den bring all yu trouble dem run come drink
a Jacob well da spring of life, da spring of life.
4. Mankin’ Saviour tell wi which part yu live,
wi want come sit an’ talk.
*(rep. both lines)*Mankin’ Saviour tell wi which part yu live,
wi gwine follow yu home an’ wi gwine come see
we gwine fin’ out how de Son of Man live. The Son of Man.

***Barry Chevannes (1940-2010)***

**The Thanksgiving** – PBMC pgs76 – 78 *(Please see Insert)*

**Hymn: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah…” [# 330 VIP]**

1. GUIDE me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore.
2. Open thou the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream shall flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

**William Williams (1717—1791)**

**The Benediction**





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***Beginning with Me”***

***Sub Theme***

***“Caring for the Body, Mind and Soul as we***

***serve the present age”***

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*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*