

Order of Service

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let us compose ourselves for worship. (silence)

Songs of Praise

*What a mighty God we serve
This is the day that the Lord*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

L: Almighty God, as we gather in this place to worship you, we know that all across the globe, men and women, children and youths, gather as well to be your church in all times, in all places, in all languages, in all cultures. Pour out your spirit upon your church universal, that all who gather in your name and all who praise you may feel your presence, know your will, and have the courage to do what you are calling us to do. We pray in the name of the One God. Amen

HYMN: 'Who Is He in Yonder Stall...' [# 151 MHB]

1. Who is he born in the stall,
at whose feet the shepherds fall?

Refrain:
*'Tis the Lord, O wondrous story!
'Tis the Lord, the King of glory!
At his feet we humbly fall,
crown him, crown him, Lord of all!*

2. Who is he in yonder cot,
Bending to His toilsome lot?

3. Who is he in deep distress,
Fasting in the wilderness?

4. Who is he that stands and weeps
at the grave where Lazarus
sleeps?

5. Lo! at midnight, who is he
prays in dark Gethsemane?

6. Who is in Calvary's throes,
Asks for blessings on His foes?

7. Who is he that from the
grave
comes to heal and help and
save?

8. Who is he that from his
throne
rules thro' all the world
alone?

*Benjamin R. Harby
(1833-1867)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Let us in silence declare before God that which ruins our relationship with God. My brothers and sisters take the time to confess your sins. *We confess together:*

ALL: Merciful and compassionate God, we look to you in our time of weakness and distress. We humbly confess with shame that we have done wrong in thought, word and action. Lord, we admit that we have not been as united as we ought due to our selfish ambition and greed. We are truly sorry for not

living the life in Jesus Christ your Son and our Lord. Forgive us Lord, we humbly beseech you for the times when we neglected our Christian duty to love unconditionally. Forgive us for being selfish in our pursuit while destroying the lives of others. Forgive us for our silence and blindness on matters of justice and equality. Lord, in your mercy, receive the cries of heart.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: My brothers and sisters, be assured that God is good; God has taken our sins in Jesus Christ and now we are free. People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN: 'Jesus Loves the Little Children...' [# 491 VIP]

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: 'Jesus Loves the Little Children...' [# 491 VIP]

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

COLLECT: (let us pray together)

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

OLD TESTAMENT: Job 1:1; 2:1-10 - Sis. Marie Miller

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 26 Led by Bro. Devon Brewster

L: ¹Vindicate me, O LORD,
for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

R: ²Prove me, O LORD, and try me;
test my heart and mind.

L: ³For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in faithfulness to you.

R: ⁴I do not sit with the worthless,
nor do I consort with hypocrites;

L: ⁵I hate the company of evildoers,
and will not sit with the wicked.

R: ⁶I wash my hands in innocence,
and go around your altar, O LORD,

L: ⁷singing aloud a song of thanksgiving,
and telling all your wondrous deeds.

R: ⁸O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell,
and the place where your glory abides.

L: ⁹Do not sweep me away with sinners,
nor my life with the bloodthirsty,

R: ¹⁰those in whose hands are evil devices,
and whose right hands are full of bribes.

L: ¹¹But as for me, I walk in my integrity;
redeem me, and be gracious to me.

**ALL: ¹²My foot stands on level ground;
in the great congregation I will bless the LORD.**

THE GLORIA

EPISTLE: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 - Sis. Patricia Stephenson

HYMN: 'Tell Me The Old, Old Story...' [# 94 VIP vs. 1, 2 & 4]

1. Tell me the old, old story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory,
Of Jesus and his love.
Tell me the story simply,
As to a little child;
For I am weak, and weary,
And helpless, and defiled:

Tell me the story often,
For I forget so soon;
The early dew of morning
Has passed away at noon:

Refrain:
*Tell me the old, old story,
Tell me the old, old story,
Tell me the old, old story,
Of Jesus and his love.*

2. Tell me the story slowly,
That I may take it in—
That wonderful redemption,
God's remedy for sin.

4. Tell me the same old story
When you have cause to fear
That this world's empty glory
Is costing me too dear.
And when that next world's
glory
Is dawning on my soul,
Tell me the old, old story—
Christ Jesus makes thee
whole!

Katherine Hankey (1834—1911)

GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

**- Rev'd Bosworth Mullings
(Supt. Minister, Coke Circuit)**

SERMON

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THE RESPONSE

(Silence for Reflective Contemplation)

THE NICENE CREED (pp. 72-73 MPB)

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ OFFERTORY/ DEDICATION OF OFFERING

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS:

People Singing:

He is here, hallelujah, He is here, Amen

He is here, holy, holy, I will bless his name again.

He is here, listen closely, hear him calling out your name

He is here, you can touch him, you will never be the same.

L: Gracious God, we pause in this act of worship to bring to the fore the issues that confront us and your people from day to day. We take the time to remember the challenges we face trusting in your mercy and abounding love. Lord we know that you are here and will answer our prayers.

L: Send your Spirit of renewal and reconciliation upon a church that is still divided by ideas and doctrine. We pray that we will come to the realization that we serve one Lord and God so that we can make disciples of all people. On this World Communion Sunday, touch the leaders of the church to promote unity and not division; love not hatred.

L: Responding God, we remember the peoples of the world who are being oppressed, exploited and dehumanized due to ethnicity, race, sex, class and condition. Lord, look upon and hear the cries of the nation of Syria as they struggle for freedom and the right to determine their future. As a people give us the strength to respond to all injustice and the will to engage in your ministry to the whole person.

L: Look upon and touch the nation of Jamaica and her leaders at this time of societal decay and economic hardship. We pray for all ministers and technocrats as they craft policies that will affect all areas of daily life. We pray for the ongoing efforts by the security forces to stem the tide of crime and violence. May they seek after the mind of Christ in their deliberations and discussions. Grant them wisdom lest we perish.

L: We pray also for those in our congregations today and elsewhere who are grieving. We pray for all who are sick and shut-in and in need of our care. We pray for those who are depressed because of lack of employment, loss of income, lack of friendship or because of the various challenges of this life. May they see you at work even in the midst of chaos and may the sound of your voice be always audible to them. People: He is here, hallelujah, He is here, Amen He is here, holy, holy, I will bless his name again. He is here, listen closely, hear him calling out your name He is here, you can touch him, you will never be the same.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Fr. Ho Lung)

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Let Us Break Bread Together..." (VIP #434)

1. Let us break bread together on our knees,
Let us break bread together on our knees...

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees,
Let us drink wine together on our knees...

Refrain:
When I fall on my knees
With my face to the rising sun,
O, Lord, have mercy on me.

3. Let us praise God together on our knees,
Let us praise God together on our knees.

(Based on African-American spiritual)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (pp. 76-79 MPB)

CLOSING HYMN: "Summoned by the God who made us..."

(Sung to the tune of 'Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing...')

1. Summoned by the God who made us
Rich in our diversity,
Gathered in the name of Jesus,
Richer still in unity:

3. Trust the goodness of creation;
Trust the Spirit strong within.
Dare to dream the vision promised
Sprung from seed of what has been.

Chorus:

**Let us bring the gifts that differ
And, in splendid, varied ways,
Sing a new church into being,
One of faith and love and praise**

4. Bring the hopes of every nation;
Bring the art of every race.
Weave a song of peace and justice:
Let it sound through time and space.

2. Radiant risen from the water;
Robed in holiness and light,
Male and female in God's image
Male and female God's delight:

5. Draw together at one table
All the human family;
Shape a circle ever wider
And a people ever free.

BENEDICTION

Threefold Amen



**Methodist Church in the Caribbean
and the Americas (MCCA)**

JAMAICA DISTRICT

DISTRICT THEME:

*"Spreading Scriptural Holiness to Reform the Nation...
Beginning with Me"*

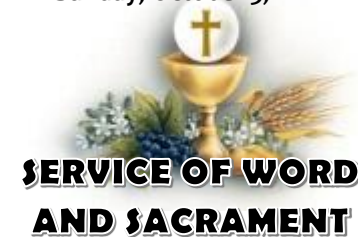
Sub Theme

*"Caring for the Body, Mind and Soul as we
serve the present age"*

**METHODIST VOICES IN WORD AND SONG
TELEVISION MINISTRY**



19th Lord's Day after Pentecost
Sunday, October 3, 2021



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Preacher: Rev'd Bosworth Mullings
(Superintendent Minister, Coke Circuit)

Liturgist: Bro. Devon Brewster
(Member, Coke Circuit)

Organist: Sis. Melrose Davies

Choristers: Sis. Yvonne Brown
Sis. Lucette Cargill
Sis. Valerie Hinds
Sis. Marie Miller
Bro. Nigel Haye

District Bishop: Rev'd Christine Gooden- Benguche
District Conference Secretary: Rev'd Dr. Wayneford McFarlane

A warm welcome to all worshippers!