**Order of Worship**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:**

L: Sing to the Lord a new song!

**P: We sing a song of peace and hope!**

L: Sing to the Lord a song of strength.

**P: Our strength is in the Lord of hosts!**

L: Sing to the Lord a song of joy!

**P: Our song is a song of service and faithfulness. AMEN.**

**Opening Hymn: ‘Jesus the Name High Overall’ [# 49 VIP]**

1. Jesus! the name high over all,
In hell, or earth, or sky!
Angels and men before it fall
And devils fear and fly.
And devils fear and fly.
2. Jesus! The name to sinners dear,
The name to sinners given;
It scatters all their guilty fear,
It turns their hell to heaven,
It turns their hell to heaven.
3. Jesus! The prisoner’s fetters breaks,
And bruises Satan’s head;
Power into strengthless souls it speaks,
And life into the dead,
And life into the dead.
4. O that the world might taste and see
The rishes of His grace
The arms of love that compass me
Would all mankind embrace
Would all mankind embrace.
5. His only righteousness I show,
His saving grace proclaim:
‘Tis all my business here below
To cry, Behold the Lamb!”
To cry, Behold the Lamb!”
6. Happy if with my latest breath
I might but gasp His name:
Preach Him to all, and cry in death:
“Behold, behold the Lam!”
Behold, behold the Lamb!

***Charles Wesley (1707-1788)***

**Prayers of Adoration**

L: Lord of light and life, you have called us this day to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope. Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do. In Jesus' Name, we pray. **AMEN**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*(The members of the congregation are encouraged to pray silently)*

L: God of healing mercies, we come to you this day as imperfect people. We know that you desire for us hope, happiness, and love, yet we have found so many ways in which to block your gifts, or to grab hold of them as if we were entitled to them. We have been given the pathway to peace in the witness of Jesus Christ. He taught us to live as people of compassion and service. But our service has been mostly for ourselves, for our own gratification. We have failed to be your church, your witnesses on earth. We have neglected the needs of others in our rush for our own comfort. Forgive us, O merciful God. Heal our wounded spirits. Turn us again to you that we may learn of your love and mercy. Help us to become partners in peace and hope for others. For we ask this in Jesus' name. **AMEN.**

**Words of Assurance of Pardon**

L: Turn again, O people, to the Lord who always loves you. Remember God's loving mercies and faithfulness. **AMEN.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Chorus: ‘Thank You Lord That You Ever Thought of Me’***

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| ***Thank you Lord, Thank you Lord,That you ever thought of me******I want to thank you Lord, thank you Lord******That you ever thought of me.******Many are the blessings that you give unto me******Blessings overflowing like a mighty sea*** | ***Lord I want to thank you, for your love so free.******Thank you Lord, Thank you Lord…I want to thank you Lord, Thank you Lord, that you ever thought of me.******Anon.*** |

**L: Oh God our Source of life, thank you for your blessings on our lives. Your favours have no end; your covering over us knows no boundaries. Thank you that you never close the doors on any of us regardless of who we are, even when we sin against you and follow our own desires.

We give glory to you for your presence in every aspect of our lives and ask that you continue to be our provider, healer, comforter and deliverer. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen**

**A Special Time with Children & Youth -**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 80: 1—2; 8—19**

*Led by:* **Sis. Georgia Henry**

*(Lay Preacher, Western St. Andrew Circuit)*

L: **1**Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
    you who lead Joseph like a flock!
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

**R: 2    before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might, and come to save us!**

L: **8**You brought a vine out of Egypt;
    you drove out the nations and planted it.

**R: 9You cleared the ground for it;
    it took deep root and filled the land.**

L: **10**The mountains were covered with its shade,
    the mighty cedars with its branches;

**R: 11it sent out its branches to the sea
    and its shoots to the River.**

L: **12**Why then have you broken down its walls,
    so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

**R: 13The boar from the forest ravages it,
    and all that move in the field feed on it.**

L: **14**Turn again, O God of hosts;
    look down from heaven and see; have regard for this vine,

**R: 15    the stock that your right hand planted.**

L: **16**It has been burned with fire; it has been cut down;
    may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

**R: 17But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
    the one whom you made strong for yourself.**

L: **18**Then we will never turn back from you;
    give us life, and we will call on your name.

**R: 19Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
    let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

**The Gloria**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Hol**

**The Ministry of the Word**

**The Collect**

**ALL:** Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

**Old Testament:** Isaiah 5:1-7 - **Sis. Shirley Richards**

**Hymn “Faith of our Fathers....”** **[# 402 MHB)**

1. Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire,
and sword,
O how our hearts beat high
with joy
Whene’er we hear that
glorious word.

***Refrain:
Faith of our fathers! Holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.***
2. Our fathers, chained in
prisons dark,
Were still in heart and
conscience free;
And blest would be their children’s fate,
Though they, like them, should die for thee
3. Faith of our fathers!
God’s great power
Shall soon all nations win for thee;
And through the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then indeed be free.
4. Faith of our fathers! We will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life:

**Frederick William Faber
[3rd V. alt.], 1814-63**

**Gospel:** Luke 12:49-56 **- Sis. Barbara Hylton**

**Hymn: ‘Give Me Oil in My Lamp…’**

1. Give my oil in my lamp,
keep me burning
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray
Give my oil in my lamp,
keep me burning
Keep me burning ’till the break of day.

**Chorus:Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!Sing hosanna to the King of kings!Sing hosanna! sing hosanna!Sing hosanna to the King!**

1. Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising
2. Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting
3. Give me love in my heart, keep me serving
4. Give me faith in my heart, keep me praying
5. Make me a fisher of men, keep me seeking,
Make me a fisher of men,
I pray;
Make me a fisher of men, keep me seeking,
Seeking souls till Jesus comes again.

***Traditional***

**Ministry Item: ‘My God is a Refuge and Strength’** *(Psalm 46)*

**- MC Choristers**

**Sermon - Pastor Clifton Brown** *(Lay Preacher, Western St. Andrew Circuit)*

**Hymn of Response: ‘My Faith looks up to Thee…’ [#218 VIP]**

1. My faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine:
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly thine.
2. May thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.
3. While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From thee aside.
4. When ends life’s transient dream,
When death’s cold, sullen, stream
Shall o’er me roll,
Blest Saviour, then in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul. **Amen.**

**Ray Palmer (1808-87)**

**Announcements/ Offertory/ Blessing of Tithes and Offering**

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

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn: ‘My Heart is fixed Eternal God’ [# 229 VIP]**

1. My heart Is Fixed, Eternal God,
Fixed on thee:
And my immortal choice is made:
Christ for me.
He is my Prophet, Priest, and King,
Who did for me salvation bring;
And while I've breath I mean to sing:
Christ for me.
2. In him I see the Godhead shine;
Christ for me.
He is the Majesty Divine;
Christ for me.

The Father’s well-beloved Son,
Co-partner of his royal throne,
Who did for human guilt atone;
Christ for me.

1. In pining sickness or in health,
Christ for me,
In deepest poverty or wealth,
Christ for me.
And in that all-important day,
When I the summons must obey, And pass from this dark world away, Christ for me.

**Richard Jukes (1804-67)**

**Benediction**

L: God promises. Christ saves. The Holy Spirit liberates us to love and serve. As we enter this new week may we go with the grace and blessings of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. **AMEN.**



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*A warm welcome to all worshippers on this
glorious Sunday!*