

St. Mary's Church Bromley

# *Behold the Lamb of God*



Family Service

10.30 a.m. 15 January 2023

## Welcome

### Song - Be thou my vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, be thou my true word;  
I ever with thee, and I with thee, Lord;  
thou my great Father, and I thy true heir;  
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my armour, and be thou my might;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,  
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I need not, nor all the world's praise;  
thou mine inheritance through all my days;  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,  
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when battle is done,  
grant heaven's joys to me, O bright heav'n's sun;  
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## Prayer

**Heavenly Father,  
you have created all things.  
We praise you for the heavens  
and the earth,  
for the animals of earth and sky and sea.  
Thank you for our lives  
which you have made in your image.  
Please give us your love  
which is new every morning. Amen.**

*confession*

**O King enthroned on high,  
you fill the earth with your glory.  
You are wonderful and full of goodness.  
Our lives are flawed and broken.  
We ask that you take away our shame,  
and fill us with your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*absolution*

**May the God of love  
bring you back to himself,  
wipe away your shame  
and assure you of his eternal love. Amen.**

### **Bible Reading - John 1.29-34**

The next day John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

### **Birthdays**

Everyone who has had a birthday since our last Family Service is welcome to join us at the front and receive a candle.

We then sing the following:

**Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,  
may God bless you and keep you, happy birthday to you.**

## **Song - O let the Son of God enfold you**

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love,  
let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.

O let Him have the things that hold you, and His Spirit like a dove  
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

*Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.*

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O come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy,  
lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.

O give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain,  
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

*Jesus, O Jesus...*

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## **A task for Twinkles**

Our youngsters are given an awesome task

## **Talk – The Lamb of God**

## **A task for Twinkles**

Our youngsters reveal their mighty creation

## **Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in the Living God,  
**who is Father Son and Holy Spirit**

We praise you Heavenly Father;  
**for you have created heaven and earth  
and made human in your own image.**

We thank you Lord Jesus Christ,  
Son of the Living God;  
**for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have delivered humans  
from sin and death.**

Come Holy Spirit  
gift of the Father and the Son;  
**fill your people with  
power and love and self-control.**

We believe in the Living God,  
**who is Father Son and Holy Spirit.**

### **Song - It's me, it's me, O Lord**

*It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.  
It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.*

Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer; not my brother, not my sister,  
but it's me, o Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

*It's me, it's me...*

Not my mother, or my father, but it's me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer; not my mother, or my father,  
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

*It's me, it's me...*

Not the stranger, or my neighbour, but it's me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer; not the stranger, or my neighbour,  
but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

*It's me, it's me...*

### **Prayers**

*To the bidding*  
In faith we pray:

*Please respond*  
**we pray to you our God .**

*Our prayers conclude*  
Lord of the church:  
**hear our prayer  
and make us one in heart and mind  
to serve you with joy forever. Amen.**

## **The 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 for ever. Amen.**

## **Song - To God be the glory**

To God be the glory great things he has done;  
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son;  
who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord! let the earth hear His voice;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord! let the people rejoice;  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory great things he hath done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives

*Praise the Lord...*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord...*

## **Blessing**

May God the Father  
who is the source of all goodness  
pour his blessing upon you his children;  
that you may use them to his glory  
and the welfare of all peoples.  
And the blessing of God Almighty  
the father the Son and the Holy Spirit  
be upon you and be with you always. **Amen.**

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