

Mothering Sunday Podcast 10.30am 22nd March

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Welcome and Notices

Greeting & Introduction

Praise God Who loves us Praise God Who cares

We praise you, our God, for all mothers who have loved and laughed and laboured as they cared for their children; Blessed be God for ever. We praise you, our God, for all mothers who have wept in sorrow and joy for their children:

Blessed be God for ever.

We praise you, our God, for Jesus, born of a woman and nurtured in her love, and for Mary, a reminder of your patient, waiting love. **Blessed be God for ever.**

<u>Songs</u> "The Joy of the Lord is my Strength" by Rend Collective "A Mother's Prayer" by Keith & Kristyn Getty & Moya Brennan

<u>Confession</u>

God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading John 19. 25-27 ... read to us by Judy Giles

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciples whom he loved standing near by, he said to her, 'Woman, here is your son,' and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

<u>Sermon</u>

<u>Creed</u>

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,

who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

<u>Prayers</u> prepared and read to us by John Wheatley

Response: God of love **Hear our prayer**

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

<u>Collect</u>

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Song "Build my Life" by Pat Barrett ft. Chris Tomlin (Live)

<u>Dismissal</u>

Praise God who loves us. Praise God who cares.

Final Prayer

Standing with all those who have mothering roles in our society, let us pray for ourselves.

We pray for strength We pray for generosity We pray not to be judgemental We pray to be able to inspire others to faith We pray for joy in believing Lord God, hear our prayer; send us to live as your children. **Amen**

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