

ORDER OF SERVICE – 7 MARCH 2021

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 7 March 2021 – Third Sunday in Lent

You are very warmly welcomed to Sunday Services at Greyfriars. All our services are available in our online library for viewing at any time at greyfriarskirk.com/online-services.



Organ: Der Tag der ist so freudenreich, BWV 605

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Opening Prayer - Rev Richard Frazer

Collect for the Day:

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn 365:

1. *Ride on! ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes 'Hosanna!' cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road with palms and scattered garments strowed.*
2. *Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.*
3. *Ride on! ride on in majesty! The winged squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.*
4. *Ride on! ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son.*
5. *Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.*

Henry Milman

The Word of God

Exodus 20: 1-17

Reader: Rev Richard Frazer

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

John 2: 13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon: Rev Philipp Ross

Affirmation of Faith:

Our souls magnify the Lord, and our spirits rejoice in God our Saviour, for he looks with favour upon us and sees what is possible. In the tradition of the first believers, and all who join the journey with God, we are here today, to witness that you are turning things upside down. In this time of Lent help us to see our lives from a different perspective. To whatever God is inviting of us, we can hope that we will build the kingdom of God.. Amen

Hymn 393:

1. *We turn to God when we are sorely pressed;
we pray for help, and ask for peace and bread;
we seek release from illness, guilt, and death:
all people do, in faith or unbelief.*
2. *We turn to God when he is sorely pressed,
and find him poor, scorned, without roof and bread,
bowed under weight of weakness, sin, and death:
faith stands by God in his dark hour of grief.*
3. *God turns to us when we are sorely pressed,
and feeds our souls and bodies with his bread;
for one and all Christ gives himself in death:
through his forgiveness sin will find relief.*

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer and Benediction: Rev Richard Frazer

Organ: Dolcezza

Percy Whitlock