



Third Sunday of Advent

11 December, 2022

We welcome you to St. Oswald's Church and to this service, especially if you are new or a visitor among us. Please make yourself known to the welcomers, so that they may introduce you to other members of the congregation. Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

We acknowledge the sovereign country of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation on which we gather.

Outline of Today's Service from A Prayer Book for Australia

[Eucharist Setting

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George Oldroyd (1886—1951)
and Hymns 10 am Service only]**

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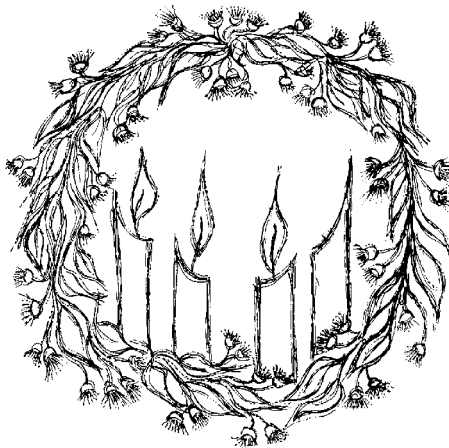
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Today's Ministries

8 am	Reader	
10 am	Reader	H. Rehn
	Cantor	J. Barrat
	Intercessor	N. Hill
	Welcome /	H. Rehn
	Offertory	P. Dalrymple
	Morning Tea	V. Lee
		D. Lee



From the Vicar

Thank you everyone who attended our AGM and Christmas lunch. What a wonderful time of celebration and renewal for all. So many familiar faces were there, some we hadn't seen for some time along with new friends we hadn't met before!

The bees have returned to the garden for the first time since we rejuvenated the space. The plants have been blossoming and thriving, and both point to an exciting future for the parish as these are signs of country responding to our deepening connection. Good things are coming our way!

Last Thursday I walked into the garden to find a group of lovely people in the garden weeding it. The Nettleton Park group, led by Ruth Sharley, have committed to come quarterly to help care for the garden. Graeme Ross, a member of the group, has arranged a supply of mulch to be delivered, as well as connecting us with the Urban Guerillas, a group of uni students who will come to help. After I spoke at the Chadstone Rotary Club meeting they agreed to also come and do some maintenance and gardening for us as they played a significant role in setting the garden up.

This coming Tuesday Peter and I are having a meeting with our new State Member Matt Fregon regarding what we are doing here at St. Oswald's and seeking funding. This has been organized by the Boroondara Reconciliation Network and is their initiative to assist us here.

Last Tuesday the Highgate Preschool 4-year-old group visited here as they have done previously. They informed us that they are seeking funding to cover us providing training sessions on Aboriginal matters in 2023. More good news.

We are also privileged to have our students Amrita and Sharda with us, and they have fitted in wonderfully and comment on how friendly everyone is. Thank you for looking after them.

In summary, lots of positive, great things happening!!

Glenn

Diary for the Week

St Oswald's Facebook page

[https://www.facebook.com/
stoswaldchurchgleniris](https://www.facebook.com/stoswaldchurchgleniris)

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Tuesday 13 December

9 am **Morning Prayer**

Wednesday 14 December

10 am **Holy Communion**

Thursday 15 December

9 am **Morning Prayer**

7.30 pm **Choir Practice**

Sunday 18 December —Live streamed

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8 am **Holy Communion**

10 am **Sung Eucharist**

Readings 18 December

Isaiah 7: 10—16

Psalms 80: 1—19

Romans 1: 1—7

Matthew 1: 18—25

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St. Oswald's Website

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Intercessions

For the church:

Holy Apostles Sunshine Braybrook; Royal School of Church Music;

St Alban the Martyr St Albans; St Luke's Mulgrave; Casey Dinka Congregation;

The Diocese of Newcastle; The Anglican Church of Kenya.

Departed

Margaret Swaney, Rev. Eric Christianson, Daniel Kellar, Ina Norton, Bunty Loughrey, Gordon Carr.



Jesus says of John the Baptist that he is the one who has been sent to prepare the way for Jesus himself. The Greek Church calls John the Baptist the Πρόδρομος—*Prodrimos* — *the Forerunner*. This week, pray that like John the Baptist you can prepare the way for Jesus himself in whatever circumstance you find yourself.

- Pray this week for the chance to prepare the way for Jesus to enter the world.
- Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, remembering especially the work of the Zambia Anglican Council.

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Gaye and Glenn would like to invite parishioners to morning tea in the hall after the 10 o'clock Service to say a sincere thank you to everyone who has been so kind and helpful during the year.

From the Organist

This week is Gaudate Sunday, like Laetare Sunday during Lent, the purpose of both is to switch our focus from sin and penance to joy and celebration. Both occasions reflect the seasonal intent at a time when fasting and abstinence were public health tools.

With food supply and security uncertain, established periods of societal sobriety focused the population on survival. But Gaudate Sunday gave everyone a break from the gruelling routine. Servants were even released for the day to visit their family and attend 'mother' church.

And in some places of the world, it is still referred to as the Sunday of the Five Loaves. It was a time to cease fasting and share your feast with those who otherwise might not make it to the harshest night of the year: Christmas.

Daniel Brace



AN INVITATION TO ALL FAMILIES TO JOIN US ON CHRISTMAS EVE

St. Oswald's Anglican Church in High Street, Glen Iris invites families – children, parents, grandparents to join us for the annual Christmas service at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 24th December. We will all meet in the Wominjeka (Welcome) Gardens and then proceed into the church. The children are encouraged to wear a costume – you can be Mary, Joseph, an angel, a shepherd, a king, a wise man, an animal such as a donkey or lamb or anything else you prefer.

This is a great opportunity for us all to get into the spirit of Christmas and remember the story behind our celebrations. It would be really great to see the families – grandparents, parents and children on Christmas Eve.

Merril Bolton



New Opportunities for Service

It would be great to see more people offering to help out in the services as readers, intercessors, servers and as sacristans.

If you would like to learn more about these opportunities, please contact Glenn in person or via email gloughrey@melbourneanglican.org.au

St. Oswald's Anglican Church, Glen iris

Donations for Flood Relief

Many people in Victoria are desperately in need of assistance as a result of the Victorian floods, which for many are still on-going. A large number of people have lost their homes, their household furnishings and possessions, their cars and their jobs and businesses.

There are many ways you can give monetary donations through the Anglican Diocese of Bendigo Flood Relief Fund, <https://bendigoanglican.org.au/donate-to-flood-relief> or through other organizations like GIVIT or Foodbank.

Apart from giving money, we can also assist by making donations of food and other materials which we will take to Bendigo to support local churches and Aboriginal communities. Some of the things identified by the relief funds and needed as a priority are:

- Non-perishable food**
- Sheets and blankets**
- Insect repellent**
- Sunscreen**
- Towels and face washers**

If you bring any of these items to church on Sunday or deliver them to the church during the week, we will make sure they are delivered to the organizations in and around Bendigo/Echuca where the need is greatest.

For more details, or pick up of goods from your house, please contact

Peter and Judy Johnson on 0417 548 896 or 0417 315 542.

The **SMA (Sempre Music Academy)** are giving a concert **TODAY— 11 December** at **5 pm** in the church. SMA is Soye Kim and Max Corporient's Music School. They are our flat dwellers and Max also hires the hall for piano and flute lessons. They invite all to come and see new talent in the church on a grand piano!

Tech help at Library- Ashburton

Are you having a tech issue and need some help? Boroondara Library Service is offering one-on-one drop in sessions for beginners at Ashburton Library.

Date: Tuesday 13 December 2022, until 29 December 2022

Time: 11:00 AM – 11:30AM (Different date and times available)

Location: Ashburton Library 154 High Street, Ashburton VIC 3147

Accessible **Free** of cost.

Bookings required online via websites or over the phone

Contact Boroondara Library Service

Telephone: (03) 9278 4666

Email: library.programming@boroondara.vic.gov.au

New Ministries' Roster

The new Ministries Roster is available at the front of the Church today and goes up to and including 26 February, 2023.

Cheryl Adams

You are invited to join the next

Afternoon Tea-Set

On Tuesday 13 December—2 – 4 pm

St Oswald's Church Hall, 100 High Street, Glen Iris.

We will enjoy an afternoon of friendship and chat

So please come along.

Please bring a small plate of Christmas goodies.

Transport can be provided if required.

For further information contact—

Judy Johnson 0417 315 542



St. Oswald's
ANGLICAN CHURCH
GLEN IRIS

*Christmas Carols 'under
an Australian night sky'
Sun 18 Dec 2022
at 7:30 pm.*

*Christmas cake and refreshments after
Starring* St Oswald's Choir and friends*

**pun intended*

100 High Street Glen Iris ALL WELCOME

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Gathering in God's Name

Processional Hymn TiS 276

There's a light upon the mountains, and the day is at the spring
when our eyes shall see the beauty and the glory of the King;
weary was our heart with waiting, and the night-watch seemed so long.
but his triumph day is breaking, and we hail it with a song.

There's a hush of expectation, and a quiet in the air,
and the breath of God is moving in the fervent breath of prayer:
for the suffering, dying Jesus is the Christ upon the throne,
and the travail of our spirit is the travail of his own.

He is breaking down the barriers, he is casting up the way,
he is calling for his angels to build up the gates of day:
but his angels here are human, not the shining hosts above;
for the drum-beats of his army are the heart-beats of our love.

Hark, we hear a distant music, and it comes with fuller swell –
the great triumph song of Jesus, of our King, Immanuel:
Zion, go you forth to meet him; and, my soul, be swift to bring
all your finest and your dearest for the triumph of our King.

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Welcome The Reverend Canon Associate Professor Glenn Loughrey

Advent 3—John the Baptist

Jesus said, 'No one more important than John the Baptist has ever been born; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.'

Amen, Come soon, Lord Jesus!

The third candle is lit

Jesus is the light of the world
A light no darkness can ever put out.

All Sing

- 1. Advent candles tell their story
as we watch and pray,
longing for
the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow,
tears and sadness,
changed for gladness
on that Day.**
- 2. Prophet voices loudly crying,
Making pathways clear;
Glimpsing glory, self-denying,
Calling all to hear.
Through their message—challenged,
Shaken -
Hearts awaken:
God is near.**
- 3. John the Baptist, by his preaching
and by water poured,
Brought to those who heard his teaching
News of hope restored:
'Keep your vision strong and steady,
And be ready
For the Lord.**

Priest

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Opening Sentence

Truly I tell you, among those born of women
no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist,
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. *Matthew 11.11*

Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Kyrie eleison Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)
Christ, have mercy (Christe, eleison)
Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)**

The Collect

**God of the burning sand
and thirsty ground:
you called John into the wilderness
to announce a new creation
far from palaces of royal power;
make us ready for your intensity,
the judgement that opens our senses
to the poverty of our world
and calls to life
what lingers in death;
through Jesus Christ,
the one who is to come. Amen**

The Ministry of the Word

(Please sit)

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

[Isaiah 35: 1—10]

¹ The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus ² it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

³ Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. ⁸ A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. ⁹ No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. ¹⁰ And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.



- 1 PRAISE THE LORD, praise the Lord | O my | soul :
while I | live I will | praise the | Lord;
- 2 While I have | any | being :
I will sing | praises | to my | God.
- 3 Put not your | trust in | princes :
nor in flesh and | blood which | cannot | save.
- 4 For when their breath goes from them, they return a- | gain to the | earth :
and on that day | all their | thoughts_ | perish.
- 5 Blessed are those whose help is the | God of | Jacob :
whose hope is | in the | Lord their | God.
- 6 The God who made | heaven and | earth :
the | sea and | all that is | in them.
- 7 Who keeps | faith for | ever :
who deals justice to | those that | are op- | pressed.
- 8 The Lord gives | food to the | hungry :
and | sets the | captives | free.
- 9 The Lord gives | sight to the | blind :
the Lord lifts up | those that are | bowed_ | down.
- 10 The Lord | loves the | righteous :
the Lord cares for the | stranger | in the | land.
- 11 He upholds the widow | and the | fatherless :
as for the way of the wicked, he | turns it | upside- | down.
- 12 The Lord shall be | king for | ever :
your God O Zion shall reign through
all generations. | Praise_ | _the | Lord.

No Gloria Patri

A Reading from James

[James 5: 7—10]

⁷ Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸ You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹ Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰ As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God

Please stand



**Gospel Acclamation: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me:
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor.**

The Gospel

[Matthew 11: 2—11]

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

² When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' ⁴ Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶ And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' ⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out

to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is the one about whom it is written, “See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.” ¹¹ Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

For the gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon (*please sit*)

Please stand

The Profession of Faith

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Please sit or kneel

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the world and for the Church

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayer of Approach

**We do not presume
to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.**

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you
in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace

All stand and the Greeting of Peace is given by the Priest.

We are the body of Christ

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn TiS 294

Behold, a rose is growing,
of liviest form and grace,
as prophets sang, foreknowing;
it springs from Jesse's race,
and comes a perfect flower,
in midst of coldest winter,
at deepest midnight hour.

Isaiah had foretold it
in words of promise sure,
and Mary's arms enfold it –
a gentle maiden pure.
Through God's eternal will
this child to her is given
at midnight calm and still

This rose, whose fragrance tender
with sweetness fills the air,
dispels with glorious splendour
the darkness everywhere.
As human, yet true God,
from sin and death he saves us
and lightens every load.

O Saviour, child of Mary,

you felt our human woe;
O Saviour, King of glory,
you all our weakness know.
Lead us at last, we pray,
to the full joys of heaven
and into endless day.

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v. 4 John Caspar Mattes (1914) alt.
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The gifts of the people are brought to the Lord's Table.

**Blessed are you,
Lord God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.**

The Great Thanksgiving 2

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, faithful God,
always and everywhere,
for with your only begotten Son
and life-giving Spirit,
you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing

a universe of beauty and splendour,
bringing light from darkness
and order from chaos.

You formed us in your image,
and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.
You call us by name and searched us out,
making a covenant of mercy,
giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,
joining with your faithful people of every time and place,
singing the eternal song:

**Sanctus Holy, Holy, Holy,
 Lord of Hosts,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
 Glory be to Thee,
 O Lord most high.**

When the fullness of time was come,
you sent your Son to be born of Mary.
Bright image of your glory,
he learnt obedience to you in all things,
even to death on a cross,
breaking the power of evil,
freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death,
exalting him to glory,
and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed
your son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends,
his companions on the way.

While at table he took bread,
blessed, and broke it,
and giving it to them said:
'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine,
and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said,
'This is my blood of the covenant,
which is poured out for many.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command,
we remember his life of obedience to you,
his suffering and death,
his resurrection and exaltation,
and his promise to be with us for ever.
With this bread and this cup
we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood
to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people,
may we proclaim the everlasting gospel
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
through whom, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Benedictus **Blessed, Blessed, Blessed is he,
that cometh in the Name of the Lord,
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, in the highest.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray

**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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body
for we all share in the one bread.

Please sit or kneel

Agnus Dei **O Lamb of God that takest away,
the sins of the world,
have mercy, have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God that takest away,
the sins of the world,
Grant us Thy peace.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The people come forward to receive Communion.

*The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the communicant responds **Amen.***

The body of Christ the bread of heaven keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ the cup of salvation keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

After Communion

Priest: Let us pray

Living God,
in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
which we have known in word and sacrament,
continue your saving work among us,
give us courage for your pilgrimage,
and bring us to the joys you promise.

Most loving God,
**you send us into the world you love,
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.**

Post Communion Hymn TiS 273

1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the sound of this refrain:
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.

2. Every eye shall now behold him
robed in awesome majesty;
those who have betrayed and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the tree,
deeply shamed before him, deeply
shamed before him,
deeply shamed before him
shall the true Messiah see.

3. Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture, with what rapture,
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!

4. Sing amen! let all adore you,
high on your eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
claim the kingdom for your own;
O come quickly, O come quickly,
O come quickly;
hallelujah! Come, Lord, come.

*Charles Wesley
1707 – 88 alt.*

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The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

The Blessing

The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

