

# *SA, SL, TS, and DSM United Churches*

*“Service in the Park” – North Buxton – July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

## Prelude:

## Welcome & Announcements:

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## Call to Worship:

**Eric: We have come together as one.**

**People:** One people, gathered in the name of the one God.

**Eric: We will worship together as one.**

**People:** One community, giving praise and honor to the Righteous One.

**Eric: We are being empowered as one by One.**

**People:** One body and one Spirit, called to the hope of one calling,

**Eric: one Lord, one faith, one baptism,**

**People:** one God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in all.

**Eric: Now, in the name of the Three-in-One, we act as one.**

**People:** One people, giving witness to the power of One.

**Eric: Come let us worship.**

## Opening Hymn: VU 213 “Rejoice the Lord is King”

Rejoice the Lord is King!

Your risen Lord adore!

Rejoice, give thanks and sing  
and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Saviour reigns,  
the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our sins,  
he took his seat above.

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

God's kingdom cannot fail;  
Christ rules o'er earth and heaven;

the keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope,  
for Christ, the judge, shall come  
to glorify the saints  
for their eternal home.

We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;  
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

### **Opening Prayer:**

**Take us from where we are, to where you want us to be; make us not merely guardians of a heritage, but living signs of your coming Kingdom; fire us with passion for justice and peace between all people; fill us with that faith, hope and love which embody the Gospel; and through the power of the Holy Spirit make us one. That the world may believe, that your name may be enthroned in our nation, that your church may more effectively be your body, we commit ourselves to love you, serve you, and follow you as pilgrims not strangers. Amen.**

### **Responsive Psalm: Psalm 14**

Only a fool would say, "There is no God!" People like that are worthless; they are heartless and cruel and never do right.

**From heaven the Lord looks down to see if anyone is wise enough to search for him.**

But all of them are corrupt; no one does right.

**Won't you evil people learn? You refuse to pray, and you gobble up the Lord's people.**

But you will be frightened, because God is on the side of every good person.

**You may spoil the plans of the poor, but the Lord protects them.**

I long for someone from Zion to come and save Israel!

**Our Lord, when you bless your people again, Jacob's family will be glad, and Israel will celebrate.**

### **Children's Story: Eric**

Only a fool would say, "There is no God". Look around you this morning. Notice the warmth of the sun, the coolness of the shade of this beautiful sweeping tree, the rustling of the wind in its branches. What would you say this morning? Yes there is God. God is here!

It is believed that David wrote this while in exile from King Saul when Saul persecuted him. David is making it clear that without God, man cannot do any good, because we have a sinful nature. One who does not believe in God, is susceptible to hatefulness and corrupt behavior. It is when King Saul gets disconnected from God that Saul threatens to kill David. David runs for his life. King Saul sinful nature is revealed to the fullest.

As the psalms do David's words show the reader what going on. "No one does right". And again as the Psalms do, David gives us words of encouragement, "I long for someone from

Zion to come and save Israel". We could assume David begins to reference the return of Christ to retrieve his people.

Psalm 14 is quoted in Romans 3, verse 10. Romans is talking about the Jews and Gentiles are one, even in sin. We are all guilty before God. Yet as we believe in God and get to know God our sinful ways are forgiven. Jesus is the saviour that David pointed to. Jesus is the light of our lives. Many we let it shine! We are not alone. God is always with us. Thanks be to God.

**Children's Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine"**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Building up this world, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Building up this world, I'm gonna let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Right here in this place, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Right here in this place, I'm gonna let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**Scripture: By Pastor Anthony Miller**

**Message: By Pastor Anthony Miller**

**Message Hymn: VU 332 "The Church's one Foundation"**

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation by water and the word;  
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore,

till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the three in one,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

### **Invitation to Share Our Gifts:**

**Sharing Of Our Gifts:** *Music to listen to*

**Ministry of Music:** "It's a Wonderful World" - Stacey Griffith

### **Offertory Prayer:**

Almighty God; Grow in us the wisdom to know that all we have to give is in our hands only because you have given to us first. Remind us that you have called us in Christ to be gentle, patient, and loving – and at one with your children everywhere. May the gifts we have been given and the gifts we share reflect the debt of our gratitude for your many blessings. We pray this in the holy name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### **Pastoral Prayer:**

Wayne, Billie Joe, Dani, Charlene, Barth, Betty Ian, Gloria, Lloyd and Betty,

**Ministry of Music:** Friends of Buxton Male Choir (CD)

**The Lord's Prayer"** (*Feel free to sing along*)

Our Father which 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 debts  
As we forgive our debtors  
And lead us not into temptation.  
But deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory.  
Forever. Amen.

**Closing Hymn:** VU 508 "Just As I Am"

Just as I am, without one plea,  
but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown  
has broken every barrier down;  
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

### **Benediction:**

**Eric:** Go and receive this good news: Nothing can separate you from the love of God. May you go now in the blessing of God who forgives our sins and empowers us to turn once again to be and become who God calls us to be, now and forever more.

### **Go Now in Peace:**

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others, so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.**