7th November 2021

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Tune When peace like a river

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Jan Mulder - Topic

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Prayer

O Lord this is the day you made, a day where people come to praise and adore you...this is the time and hour and the place you have called each one of us to worship you. We have gathered in your holiest name, as brothers and sisters of Christ, as friends and strangers, as people who you know so well, and love. We were born at different times, many of us have a similar or different upbringings, and we have experienced so much which are seen as the same yet not...we can laugh and smile, cry and feel hurt and pain, while joy and humour will not be far away as a healer. We chat with you, and then there are the times when we don't. We see you as a friend who walks alongside, then when life's difficulties crossed our path, there can come a period when we simply do not want to see you, hear you or know that you are beside us, for we are experiencing so many emotions, they are over coming us, and all we can do is to hold on and we sometimes find it hard not to blame you...yet Lord God deep, deep down within our hearts we know that when we do not see you, when the pain and hurt over shadows the bright light of life, you never leave. There are

the times when we see only one set of foot prints in the sand, this is when you carry us...and we begin to heal from the world events which can bring stress and anxiety and where we cry out help me Lord. Healing God, thank you for always being with us, even though we may not see or believe you're near to thee. Forgive us for our lack of faith especially when doubt hits us hard...lead us forward and bring us closer to you. In you we wish to say, this is where we can be found...Lord hear our prayer and draw us closer to you, as we draw closer to each other, for we are one in our Lord and creator, ,In Jesus name Saviour of the world, bless this prayer Amen.



Our hymn Morning has broken, sings in the sounds of the blackbird—an echo of the "Word" or the voice of the Incarnation itself. The second verse closes with a reference to God walking in Eden through the garden—"where his feet pass." This is an echo of Genesis 3:8: "And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day." The final verse personalizes this experience. "Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning." We share in the freshness and possibility of the "one light Eden saw play." Our response is to "Praise with elation" for "God's re-creation of the new day." At first glance, "Morning has broken" may seem naïve in our current polluted environment of

waning fresh water supplies, greenhouse gases and smog, of course we have COP26, Unlike the earlier days of the 20th century when author penned this poem, we now know that the earth's resources are limited and its beauty is ours to preserve and foster. Yet, we all dream for a day when the beauty of the earth may be restored and that the rising of the morning sun will be a symbol of hope where all will share in the earth's abundance and should we add that each government who have met, do not go bla-bla-bla and but instead work together, so that God's creation will be, instead of no more. Let us sing this most beautiful hymn with such an amazing Scottish tune...

212 - Morning has broken

BUNESSAN MORNING HAS BROKEN 12 Jun 2014 126 3



The King's Message

1/ Morning has broken Like the first morning, Blackbird has spoken Like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing Fresh from the Word!



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At the moment that Jesus was baptised there were significant events:

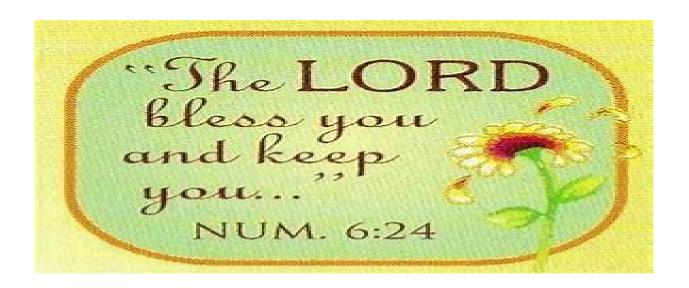
- · heaven was opened
- God's spirit descended on Jesus
- · God's voice was heard

A dove, often used as a symbol of peace, represents God's spirit descending on Jesus. This gives Jesus power to equip him for his ministry.

God's voice is heard saying "This is my own dear son with whom I am pleased." This confirms Jesus' identity as the Son of God. The crowds of people standing on the banks of the River Jordan will know for certain that this is the greater person John has been telling them about.

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Story

When we think about baptism, our first thought might be of water and the new start it brings, washing off the old and bringing something new. For many of us, it's always been about the words that God says to Jesus when he gets baptised in the River Jordan: 'You are my son, the beloved, with you I am well pleased." The important part of baptism for me is about becoming part of God's family, about becoming part of the big picture and the amazing plans He has in store. It's a bit like a jigsaw! You might think that this is a strange image to bring to a baptism. How many of you like jigsaws? And are good at this puzzle. In many families there's a rule that you have to hide the box when you start a jigsaw because it's even more fun to do if you don't know what the picture is until it starts to come together. There again why make a jigsaw even harder than it can be. Think about a jigsaw puzzle picture and then imagine if you can only see a quarter of it. Can you guess what can be seen from only seeing part of the picture?

God has a big picture, a full picture- his Kingdom, where there is love and joy and peace and hope. We only see part of it now, but we pray in the Lord's prayer that His Kingdom will come on Earth and we will eventually see the whole picture. When we are baptised and we become part of God's family, we become part of God's plan to bring the big picture of his Kingdom to earth. Only God knows what the full picture looks like, but when we are baptised, it's as if we take up a jigsaw piece and say to God, 'I want to be in your family and I want to be part of your big picture!' As part of God's family, like the pieces in a jigsaw, we are also never alone. We are doing this together. Like the jigsaw pieces we are joined to many other people, many of whom are very different to us. If you look

at the pieces of our jigsaw, hardly any of them are the same, yet they are all an important part of the picture and none of the pieces can make the picture by themselves. By joining in our new family, we get many new brothers and sisters who will support us, love us and help us to find where we fit.

I'd like to ask you to take one of the jigsaw pieces and to think of what it might mean to be part of God's family and to be part of His big picture for the world. Maybe you would like God to show you how you can share His love and bring hope to others. Perhaps you would like to learn more about God's love for you. Perhaps you would like to say thank you for those who have been baptised around the world today and have become part of God's family. taking up their own piece of the picture. Let's take a moment know to speak to God about his big picture and our part in it.

796- "The Lord bless you and Keep you"

The Lord bless you and keep you 4 Apr 2014 1.3K



Cambridge Singers - Topic

The Lord bless you and keep you The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you And give you peace;



189- Be still for the Presence of the Lord

BE STILL-BE STILL, FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD 20 Jun 2014 306 6



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1/ Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the holy One, is here; Come bow before him now with reverence and fear In him no sin is found We stand on holy ground.

2/ Be still, for the presence of the Lord The holy One, is here.
Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned:
How awesome is the sight Our radiant king of light!

3/ Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around. Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place: He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace - No work too hard for him. In faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place.



John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Reflection

A wee story - An old cowboy was riding his trusty horse followed by his faithful dog along an unfamiliar road. The cowboy was enjoying the new scenery, when he

suddenly remembered dying, and realized the dog beside him had been dead for years, as had his horse. Confused, he wondered what was happening, and where the trail was leading them. After a while, they came to a high, white

stone wall that looked like fine marble. At the top of a long hill, it was broken by a tall arch topped by a golden letter "H" that glowed in the sunlight. Standing before it, he saw a magnificent gate in the arch that looked like mother-ofpearl, and the street that led to the gate looked like gold. He rode toward the gate, and as he got closer, he saw a man at a desk to one side. Parched and tired out by his journey, he called out; 'Excuse me, where are we?' 'This is Heaven, sir,' the man answered. 'Wow! Would you happen to have some water?' the man asked. 'Of course, sir. Come right in, and I'll have some ice water brought right up.' As the gate began to open, the cowboy asked 'Can I bring my partners, too?' 'I'm sorry, sir, but we don't accept pets.' The cowboy thought for a moment, then turned back to the road and continued riding, his dog trotting by his side. After another long ride, at the top of another hill, he came to a dirt road leading through a ranch gate that looked as if it had never been closed. As he approached the gate, he saw a man inside, leaning against a tree and reading a book. 'Excuse me,' he called to the man. 'Do you have any water?' 'Sure, there's a pump right over there. Help yourself.' 'How about my friends here?' the traveller gestured to the dog and his horse. 'Of course! They look thirsty, too, said the man. The trio went through the gate, and sure enough, there was an old-fashioned hand pump with buckets beside it. The traveller filled a cup and the buckets with wonderfully cool water and took a long drink, as did his horse and dog. When they were full, he walked back to the man who was still standing by the tree; 'What do you call this place?' the traveller asked. 'This is Heaven,' he answered. 'That's confusing,' the traveller said. 'The man down the road said that was Heaven, too.' 'Oh, you mean the place with the glitzy, gold street and fake pearly gates? That's hell. 'Doesn't it make you angry when they use your name like that?' 'Not at all. Actually, we're happy they screen out the folks who would leave their best friends behind...

Isn't it wonderful to think that Jesus has not left his friends behind, for we are brothers and sisters in Christ, we are together, what I mean with Jesus also, for he joins us through the holy spirit, for in baptism we are one. As the spirit of God descended upon Jesus the words from heaven were heard, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Aren't we all God's children and when we were baptised, God said I am well pleased for I love you...As we know he loves us so much that he did something we'd probably have never expected or could have ever imagined...he came to earth in the shape of Jesus to see what it is like to be human. In 41 days from today, we will be celebrating the Birth of Jesus, yes it will be Christmas day. With Jesus arrival he became human and God. In his human existence and Godly, we met God, and he experienced much, while a lot is not recorded, we know as humans ourselves life can through at us some curved balls...and they can hit us hard. Life is not easy, it does not always

run smoothly, and there can be the times when we shout out, why are you doing this to me God. Of course, it is not God, its life at work. Yet whatever takes place within our lives, when the holy spirit descended upon the baptised, the Spirit of God does not leave...it remains within the heart of all who are baptised and welcomed in his name. The Spirit of God is within us and remains within. A true and utter blessing, where God is always there...right here in our hearts. Like a jigsaw puzzle piece, our baptism is part of the picture, God's plan, as we are baptised, the square wee bit, is interlocked, firmly fitting into the picture of the Kingdom of heaven...and we become part of the big wonderful family...the family which stand together, worship together, hold on to each-other, in times of celebration and when we do not feel so joyful. This family, we become part of, as brothers and sisters in Christ who look after each-other and Jesus' love flows from within out...his light shines and lights our lives up to be something special. As the waters flow, and the words are said, you are baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may the Father, Son and Holy Spirit descend and remain in your heart...the voice of heaven is heard...you're my child and in you I am well pleased. As a baby is baptised, for it cannot understand or make a decision on its own, God is joyful that its parents have decided upon baptism, and as that child grows up, we pray they will follow in the footsteps of all who have a faith and believe and trust in Christ. When Jesus was baptised, this was the beginning of his ministry, which continues today through the Spirit of God. One of the most beautiful experiences I have had was when I heard the voice from a proud mother say to me, my daughter would like to get baptised. As I spoke with the child, at the age of 10, she had become very much aware of what being baptised meant. We had a good conversation, and when I said why now...she said why not, just because I am young does not mean I don't want to have a relationship with God...this will confirm my commitment...and so one Sunday during the service Louise was baptised, with very proud parents looking on, like any other...Do you remember your own baptism, that moment when the Spirit of God descended upon you...maybe not or you may have a story to tell...I don't remember my baptism, what I was told, my God mother nearly dropped me, and I held onto the ministers wig apart from that my life changed for I simply didn't have a mother and father who loved me, I was welcomed into a whole new family, who looked out for me as I grew and developed. Today, I pray that each child, every person who makes a commitment will feel the love of God descent and that they're part of a world full of people who love and recognise them as someone special...children of God, like we all are...So, stop, quench your thirst for you are warmly welcomed and loved by God. May God bless you and keep you firm in your faith Amen.



155 - Think of a world without any flowers

SAINT FRANCIS' CHURCH

Think Of A World Without Any Flowers (with lyrics) - Come and Praise Classic

School Hymns 10 Aug 2020 9 0 The Hymn Channel

Let's not sing this hymn, why don't we listen to the music and read the words and imagine what it would be like if the world did not have...read the hymns to see what ${\bf I}$ mean.

1/ Think of a world without any flowers, think of a world without any trees, think of a sky without any sunshine, think of the air without any breeze. We thank you, Lord, for flowers and trees and sunshine, we thank you, Lord, and praise your holy name.



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Intercession / Lord's Prayer

Lord God as we think of Jesus baptism, we give thanks for this event, the start of his ministry here on earth. How often we have wanted to hear the words from heaven above, "this is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Lord, today as we think about baptism, help us to be reminded of our own

baptism and the love which welcomes us into Gods family. Whether we came to baptism as a baby with our parents making this decision for us, or as an adult..we are an interlocked piece from the picture of what God has created and has in mind for the world and his kingdom. As brothers and sisters, we join our voices, and lives together as one, part of the body of Christ. Today we pray for your church and for its growth Lord, for we are not simply one family as we sit here, we are part of the whole church, the universal body which stretches around the world. Whatever language we speak, however young or old we may be, we are part of your family Lord. We pray for all the challenges and changes to come, which are taking place within your church family. For family members who are at the forefront, of making important Presbytery decisions within the church of Scotland, we thank you that the head of the church Jesus walks alongside and is leading all forward. Today is a new day, and we are looking at a future where Jesus will remain firmly as Lord and King, and so with this knowledge we know all will be well...for his Kingdom will always reign whatever the Presbytery plan will be. We pray for people who struggle with their faith, and have begun to feel that God is not with them, we pray for people who are born again and are experiencing the excitement and wonder of believing in Jesus. For those who are searching and not sure what is for them...Lord, there are so many people who are not happy and do not know why, we pray for people who do not have a job and find it hard to pay their bills. We pray for those who cannot afford food, or to heat their homes, buy nice things for their children and look after themselves...In silence we hand over to you, Lord our personal prayers...thank you for loving us, for being here for us, and leading us forward in your name. Thank you for our elders and those who volunteer to make our church families run smoothly. We pray for those who need our prayers and we hand them along with ourselves over to thee, O Lord. In Jesus name bless our lives as we say together. 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 debts, as we forgive our And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen





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'Guide Me, Oh Thou Great Jehovah'. 16 Sept 2012 3.9K 193 SHARE SAVE

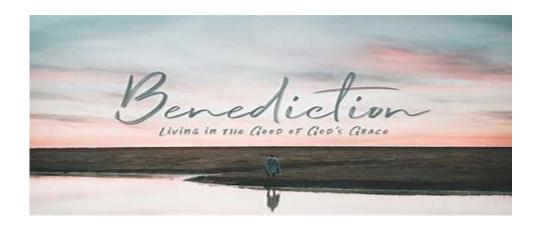


Ronald Ellis

1/ Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty, Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more; Feed me till I want no more.

2/ Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, Be Thou still my Strength and Shield; Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

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For your information

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Both events will meet via Zoom. This is so that more people may wish to take part, and we don't have to worry about bad weather, and covid restrictions. The book club will meet to discuss a book to read.

I will begin a coffee and chat morning on a Wednesday at 11am ...by zoom. This also means we do not need to worry about weather conditions, and more people hopefully will wish to take part.

Remembrance Sunday 14th November

Cawdor service will be held at the war memorial...there won't be a service in the church...War Memorial service beginnings at 10.45am

Croy and Dalcross will be the same, the service beginning at 1245 at the War Memorial.

Daviot also the same, while **Tomatin's** service will be as usual at the community centre, usual time...at 3pm there will be a service at the War Memorial

Croy and Cawdor Guild will meet in the Mound on 8th November, at 2pm, this Monday for a service of rededication plus hear about Starchild......Chrissie, Margaret and Jane recently attended a talk in Inverness on "Starchild", and they will tell us what they learned. "Starchild" is one of the projects we have selected this year.