

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS Part 4: The Celestial City

Hymn

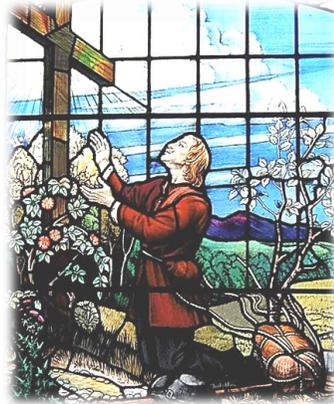
Christ triumphant ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heav'n, our lives sustaining,
Hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown,
the eternal name.*

Priestly King, enthroned for ever
High in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
Stifle hymns of love:

Yours the glory ...

So, our hearts and voices raising
Through the ages long,
Ceaselessly upon you gazing,
This shall be our song:
Yours the glory ...



PROMENADE JUNIOR & YOUTH CHOIRS

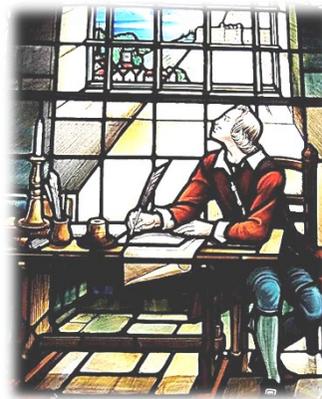
Irish Blessing composed by Bob Chilcott

The Sending Out

God of our pilgrimage
**you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey.
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

You are all welcome to join us for refreshments and
fellowship after the service.

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The Greeting

Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The Call to Worship

The awe of it, the wonder of it!
**God's call comes to us,
as ordinary fragile people.**

The awe of it, the wonder of it!
**God in Christ speaks to the world,
deep in the souls of all who love him.**
The awe of it, the wonder of it!
The Spirit of God is with us and within us,
leading us on into the future.
Let us worship God!

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS Part 1: The Woman in the Dream

Hymn

He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy follow the Master.
There's no discouragement shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round with dismal stories
Do but themselves confound - his strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might; though he with giants fight,
He will make good his right to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, Thou dost defend us with Thy Spirit,
We know we at the end, shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day to be a pilgrim.

Confession

God of dreams for all creation,
God of visions for a world which is yet to be,
forgive us when our dreams and visions are much smaller.

Forgive us if we just stand here looking at things,
instead of moving with the inspiration and courage of your Spirit.

**Forgive us, loving Jesus.
We are sorry when we fail you.
Forgive us, loving God,
and sing a new song within us. Amen.**

Absolution

Jesus said that we will never be left without love,
the love of grace and forgiveness,
the love of new possibilities for us and in us.
We are forgiven!
Let us rise and take up our lives again. **Amen.**

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS Part 2: Christiana loses her Burden

PROMENADE YOUTH CHOIR
Pie Jesu composed by John Brunning

Reading
Isaiah 41: 1-10

At the end the reader says

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

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS Part 3: The Valley of the Shadow

PROMENADE JUNIOR CHOIR
Psalm 23 composed by Howard Goodall, soloist Gabrielle Cary
Every time I feel the Spirit, a traditional American song

Reading
Luke 10:1-17

At the end the reader says

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

The Peace

God calls us to peace:
in God's justice is our peace.
Christ calls us to be God's people:
in Christ is our peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PROMENADE YOUTH CHOIR

Deep River, a traditional American song arranged by Ben Parry,
soloist Issy Anstead

Offertory Hymn

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go;
from the old things to the new
keep me travelling along with you:
*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me:
And it's from ...

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know:
And it's from ...

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough;
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from ...

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me;
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from ...

Prayers of Intercession

The following response will be used

Travel with us on our journey, brave Jesus.
Never leave us alone.

Gather up all that we bring with all that you bring to our life, O God.
**Inspire us to go on in our efforts to be your true people,
that many may know that you have come into the world.
Amen.**