

Viewfield Baptist Church

To enable people to become fully devoted
followers of Jesus Christ



Sunday 12 July 2020

10:30am Morning Worship

Rev Rae MacKenzie

Service will go live just before 10:30am on our Facebook and
YouTube pages (links on back page)

Welcome/Notices/Call to Worship
How Great Thou Art
How Great is Our God

All Age

I Believe in God our Father (The Creed)

Prayer

Reading: Acts 6: 1-15
Sermon: "The Example of Stephen"

Here Is Love Vast as an Ocean

Communion

Prayer

Communion We will be led through Communion as part of the
live stream. You may want to have bread and "wine" ready so that
you can participate, whether you are on your own or with your family.
(Tip: many churches use blackcurrant squash as their communion
wine)

Welcome

We are in contact regularly by
email.

If you have an email address, but
have not been receiving church
family emails and would like to do
so, please send an email to
office@viewfield.org.uk and ask to
be included.

If you are worshipping with us
today please say 'hello' in the
comments. If you wish us to get in
touch with you or have a particular
need why not send us an email or
private message?

We continue to be "Viewfield
Baptist Church" even though we
can't meet together in person.

Prayer Ministry

Please remember to pray for one
another – especially those who
are alone, ill and/or self-isolating.

Our Pastoral Care Team are
sharing prayer requests and
ensuring that everyone is looked
after. If you have any particular
requests or concerns, please let
us know.

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Song sheet

O Lord my God!

when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works
Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars,
hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout
the universe displayed;

*Then sings my soul,
my Saviour God to Thee,
how great Thou art
how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul,
my Saviour God, to Thee,
how great Thou art!
how great Thou art!*

When through the woods
and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds
sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down
from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook,
and feel the gentle breeze;

Chorus:

And when I think
that God His Son not sparing,
sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross
my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take
away my sin:

Chorus:

When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation
and take me home -
what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow
in humble adoration
and there proclaim,
my God, how great Thou art!

Chorus:

Russian Hymn tr Stuart K Hine (c) 1953 Hine/Thankyou
Music

The splendour of the King

clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light
and darkness tries to hide
It trembles at his voice,
trembles at his voice.

*How great is our God,
Sing with me
how great is our God
And all will see how great,
how great is our God.*

And age to age he stands
and time is in his hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end
The Godhead three in one
Father, Spirit, Son
The lion and the lamb,
The lion and the lamb.

Chorus:

Name above all names,
worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
how great is our God.

Name above all names,
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Chorus:

Christ Tomlin, Eddie Reeves, Ed Cash (c)
Worship Together.com

Our Father everlasting

The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the So
Jesus our Saviour

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one
I believe in the resurrection*

*That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus*

Our Judge and our Defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus*

I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

And I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe, in the name of Jesus

Chorus:

For I believe in the name of Jesus
For I believe in the name of Jesus

Ben Fielding, Matt Crocker (c) Hillsong Music

Here is love vast as the ocean,
loving kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of life, our ransom
shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the Mount of Crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,

poured incessant from above,
and heaven's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.

William Rees

Reading Acts 6: 1-7

The Choosing of the Seven

6 In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews¹ among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. ² So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³ Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them ⁴ and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."

⁵ This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism.⁶ They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷ So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

Stephen Seized

⁸ Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹ Opposition arose, however, from members of the Synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called)—Jews of Cyrene and Alexandria as well as the provinces of Cilicia and Asia—who began to argue with Stephen. ¹⁰ But they could not stand up against the wisdom the Spirit gave him as he spoke.

¹¹ Then they secretly persuaded some men to say, "We have heard Stephen speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God."

¹² So they stirred up the people and the elders and the teachers of the law. They seized

Stephen and brought him before the Sanhedrin.¹³ They produced false witnesses, who testified, "This fellow never stops speaking against this holy place and against the law." ¹⁴ For we have heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and change the customs Moses handed down to us."

¹⁵ All who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at Stephen, and they saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

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Bible Study Questions -Acts 6v1-15 Stephen- A Spirit filled Christian:

1/ What does a Spirit filled Christian look like?

2/ How can you be filled with the Spirit? Give an example when you were aware of the Spirit of God working in your life?

3/ Why is a servant heart so important in the life of a Christian? How are you serving with the church family?

4/ When was the last time you faced opposition for your faith? How did you respond?

5/ How can we grow in grace as Christians? How can we be more gracious as believers?

Notices

Discipleship Explored (DE) – August 2020
An 'On Line' DE course is being organised via 'Zoom'. The course will start on Sunday 9 August at 7pm and run for 8 weeks (an initial meeting will be held the previous week to 'meet' each other). There is no charge for joining the course.

Of benefit to believers at any stage in their Christian lives, the course is primarily for those who have recently 'come to faith' in Jesus, as well as those contemplating a first step of faith, but wanting to know what it's like to 'follow' Christ.

To join the course, simply email office@viewfield.org.uk If you would like to know more about the course see the DE website

<https://discipleship.explo.red/> or phone/email Jim Leiper or David Cochrane. Leaders are required to facilitate the group discussions, which are a key part of the course. If you would like to help in this capacity, please contact Jim Leiper or David Cochrane.

International Justice Mission (IJM) Pray For Justice Online

As we come out of lockdown, we don't want to return to the world we left, but to choose a better one, a world of freedom and justice. [Tune into IJM UK's first ever online prayer gathering, Tuesday 21 July at 7pm](#), and join hundreds of people praying for an end to child slavery. Hear from IJM staff worldwide as they speak on the reality of forced labour and trafficking of children – and find out why they have hope that change is possible. Then pray together, for a world where every child is free.

Pray for Justice will be streamed on YouTube and include talks from IJM staff on the frontline of the fight, as well as worship music from Lucy Grimble and Selorm Tamakloe. [Sign up now!](#) Following the main event, you'll have the chance to join smaller discussions via Zoom. This is a brilliant opportunity to chat, ask questions, plan and pray together. Make sure you register on Eventbrite, as places for this are limited.

Gary Haugen at New Wine's United Breaks Out

As with many summer conferences and festivals, New Wine are bringing their conference online and '[United Breaks Out](#)' will run from 30 July to 3 August. We are delighted to announce IJM's Gary Haugen will be the main speaker for the Friday evening session, starting at 8pm. We would love for you and your congregation to consider joining on Friday 31 July at 8pm.

Baptist Union of Scotland – Prayer Gathering

Join the Baptist Family across Scotland every Sunday at 7pm for a time of prayer and sharing at <https://www.facebook.com/scottishbaptist>

Try Praying

The trypraying booklet is a 7-day guide to help people get started on a journey of faith. It contains stories of answered prayer, ideas of things to do, important themes about how to connect with God and honest prayers. <https://www.trypraying.co.uk/try-it>

Regular services & activities
Services online Sunday 10.30am at Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/viewfieldbaptistchurch/>
& YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUaaQgeKl8sf_Dqd14_jXxA
Prayer meeting (Facebook only) Wednesday 7.30pm
Quiz (Zoom) Thursdays 8.00pm

The service can be watched on the Viewfield Facebook and YouTube pages at any time after the end of the livestream. Podcasts of the weekly sermon are also available on the church website. CDs of the full service can be posted on request, for those who don't have internet access – if you know someone who would like to receive these, please email office@viewfield.org.uk on their behalf.



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