<u>Group Morning Worship for</u> <u>Mothering Sunday, 22nd March 2020</u>

Welcome and Prayer

One thing I have asked of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to behold the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

<u>Hymn</u>

- Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
- Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast; let us all in Thee inherit let us find thy promised rest. Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be; end of faith as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
- Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temple leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy host above; pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- Finish then thy new creation: pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Saying sorry and being forgiven

Father, we come to you to say sorry today. For times when we have not remembered that we are rooted and established in love **God, we are so sorry.** For times when we have not shared the width, length, height and depth of your love **God, we are so sorry.** For times we have doubted that you can do more than we ask or imagine **God, we are so sorry.**

God's love for us stretches as high as the sky; He takes our sins as far away as the other side of the world. Like a father is kind to his children, God is kind to those who love Him.

Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Talk

<u>Songs</u>

Blessed be your name

in the land that is plentiful Where your streams of abundance flow Blessed be your name Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say Blessed be the name of the lord Blessed be your name Blessed be the name of the lord Blessed be your glorious name

Blessed be your name When the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be Blessed be your name Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out...

You give and take away you give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be your name

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Everyone needs compassion

A love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Everyone needs forgiveness The kindness of a Saviour The hope of nations

Saviour, he can move the mountains My God is mighty to save He is mighty to save Forever, Author of Salvation He rose and conquered the grave Jesus conquered the grave So take me as you find me All my fears and failures Fill my life again I give my life to follow Everything that I believe in Now I surrender

Saviour...

Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing for the glory of the risen king, Jesus (repeats)

Saviour...

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Time for Testimonies

<u>Song</u>

In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures You won't walk out Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence, You won't let go In the questions, Your truth will hold Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

My lighthouse, my lighthouse Shining in the darkness. I will follow You My lighthouse, my lighthouse I will trust the promise You will carry me safe to shore Safe to shore, Safe to shore Safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings With each morning I'll rise and sing My God's love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea *My lighthouse...* Fire before us, You're the brightest You will lead us through the storms (repeats)

My lighthouse...

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Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

<u>Hymn</u>

Great is thy faithfulness

 O God my Father
 There is no shadow
 of turning with thee
 Thou changest not
 thy compassions they fail not
 As thou has been thou forever will be

Great is thy faithfulness, Great is thy faithfulness Morning by morning new mercies I see All I have needed thy hand has provided Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me

 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest Sun moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness mercy and love Chorus 3. Pardon for sin

and a peace that endureth Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside *Chorus*

Blessing