

Sunday 7 August 2022 – Worship Sheet

Hymn

Lord, as the day begins
lift up our hearts in praise;
take from us all our sins,
guard us in all our ways:
our every step direct and guide
that Christ in all be glorified!

Christ be in work and skill,
serving each other's need;
Christ be in thought and will,
Christ be in word and deed:
our minds be set on things above
in joy and peace, in faith and love.

Grant us the Spirit's strength,
teach us to walk his way;
so bring us all at length
safe to the close of day:
from hour to hour sustain and bless,
and let our song be thankfulness.

Now as the day begins
make it the best of days;
take from us all our sins,
guard us in all our ways:
our every step direct and guide
that Christ in all be glorified!

Timothy Dudley-Smith

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Gradual Hymn

Bright as fire in darkness,
sharper than a sword,
lives throughout the ages
God's eternal Word.

Christ, your eyes of mercy
see our sins revealed;
speak the word that saves us,
that we may be healed.

Father, Son and Spirit,
Trinity of might,
compassed in your glory,
give the world your light.

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Gospel Reading

Luke 12: 32-40

Offertory Hymn

Have faith in God, my heart,
trust and be unafraid;
God will fulfil in every part
each promise he has made.

Have faith in God, my mind,
though oft thy light burns low;
God's mercy holds a wiser plan
than thou canst fully know.

Have faith in God, my soul,
his cross for ever stands;
and neither life nor death can pluck
his children from his hands.

Lord Jesus, make me whole;
grant me no resting place,
until I rest, heart, mind, and soul,
the captive of thy grace.

Bryn Rees

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever.

Faith overcomes! The light of Christ is shining,
piercing the doubt and darkness of our world.
Walking in trust, we find the way inclining
to follow in the footsteps of our Lord.

Faith overcomes! The truth of God, unfolding
Wisdom and Word, in cosmic time and space,
dwells in a single life for our beholding:
eternal glory in a human face.

Faith overcomes! In Jesus God is teaching,
healing, forgiving, loving to the end;
to all who know him not his arms outreaching
from Calvary's cross, our Shepherd and our Friend.

Faith overcomes! The life of Christ, abundant,
spent and exhausted in the hour of death,
bursts from the tomb in mystery triumphant,
makes us alive through his own Spirit's breath.

Faith overcomes! Christ's witnesses have spoken:
we have not seen, yet now we dare believe
in him is freedom, peace and joy unbroken,
a gift to share with all who will receive.

Faith overcomes! In Jesus' love abiding,
we yield ourselves to follow his commands,
willing to suffer for his name, confiding
our needs and hopes and fears into his hands.

Christopher Jones