



St Paul's
**United
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Order of Service

Sunday 20th June 2021

Boat Ride from Hell

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Welcome to St Paul's!

Please use 'T' on your hearing aid if you need to use the Hearing Loop.

This morning's service is being led by: **Revd Martin Knight**
The Organ is played by: **Mr George Godsmark**

Important notes:

- It is a joy to welcome you to this service!
St Paul's URC has a **full Covid-19 Risk Assessment**, which is helping to keep everyone safe, so please follow the notices and advice you are given in church.
 - As you can see, we are using printed **Order sheets rather than Hymn books and bibles**. These Orders have been quarantined for 72hrs before the service. All hymns will also appear on the TV screen.
 - **Offertory** – to reduce contact with physical notes and coins at this time, Standing Orders and bank transfers are preferred, but there is also a labelled collection box at the side, where you can place your offertory.
 - Until government guidance changes, there will be **no congregational singing** during our services, but we will find other creative ways of using music!
 - Our service will be **broadcast via zoom** for folk at home.
 - We pray that you will know God's presence as we worship – in church, at home, online, in the garden, at work or school, and in all places.
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Church Notices

Call to Worship

MUSIC for reflection: 'Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us'

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing
if our God our Father be.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

Words: James Edmeston

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Reading: Mark 4: 35-41 (pg. 816)

Jesus Stills a Storm

³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?'

³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

ARE WE IN A BOAT?

MUSIC for reflection: 'I, the Lord of sea and sky'

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts are satisfied.
I will give my life for them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?...

Words: Daniel L. Schutte

Junior Church blessing

***The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all, Evermore. Amen***

Reading: Psalm 46 (pg. 450)

BOAT RIDE FROM HELL!

MUSIC for reflection: 'Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult'

(George – 355 R&S – 3 verses only)

*Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his voice is sounding,
saying 'Christian, follow me':*

*as, of old, apostles heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home, and toil, and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.*

*Jesus calls us! By your mercies,
Saviour, make us hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.*

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander

Prayers of Intercession and Confession

Response:

Be at peace.

BE CALM.

MUSIC for reflection: 'Eternal Father, strong to save'

Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep;
*O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

O Saviour, whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive heard,
who walkedst on the foaming deep
and calm amid its rage didst sleep;
*O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

O Holy Spirit, who didst sweep
across the dark and formless deep
to bid the angry tumult cease,
and give, for wild confusion, peace:
*O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

O Trinity of love and power,
sustain us all in danger's hour;
through wreck and tempest, grief and loss,
renew the triumph of the Cross;
*and ever let there rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.*

Words: William Whiting

Sending forth & Blessing



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