

ORDER OF SERVICE: ST ANDREWS

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PENTECOST 4

THEME: A DIFFERENT KIND OF LOVE

WELCOME/NOTICES

Lighting of Candle and pouring water into bowl

CALL TO WORSHIP

Incline your ear, O God.

Hear the praises of your people.

Gladden the hearts of your servants,

As we lift up our souls to you.

For you, O God, are good and forgiving,

Abounding in steadfast love.

In the day of trouble we call on you,

Knowing you will answer.

Your people everywhere glorify your name.

For you are slow to anger,

And abound in steadfast love.

Turn to us and be gracious.

OPENING PRAYER

SONG: TIS 675 Shine, Jesus, shine.

1

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
 in the midst of the darkness, shining;
 Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
 set us free by the truth you now bring us
 shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
 fill this land with the Father's glory;
 blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
 Flow, river, flow,
 flood the nations with grace and mercy;
 send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

2

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
 from the shadows into your radiance;
 by your blood I may enter your brightness:
 search me, try me, consume all my darkness
 shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine,

3

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
 so our faces display your likeness,
 ever changing from glory to glory:
 mirrored here, may our lives tell your story
 shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The one who frees us from selfishness

Fills us with God's selfless love.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Amen

SONG: TIS 665 Jesus Christ is waiting

1

Jesus Christ is waiting,
 waiting in the streets;
 no-one is his neighbour,
 all alone he eats.
 Listen, Lord Jesus,
 I am lonely too.
 Make me, friend or stranger,
 fit to wait on you.

2

Jesus Christ is raging,
 raging in the streets,
 where injustice spirals
 and real hope retreats.
 Listen, Lord Jesus,
 I am angry too.
 In the Kingdom's causes
 let me rage with you.

3

Jesus Christ is healing,
 healing in the streets;
 curing those who suffer,
 touching those he greets.
 Listen, Lord Jesus,
 I have pity too.
 Let my care be active,
 healing just like you.

4

Jesus Christ is dancing,
 dancing in the streets,
 where each sign of hatred
 he, with love, defeats.
 Listen, Lord Jesus,
 I should triumph too.
 Where good conquers evil
 let me dance with you.

5

Jesus Christ is calling,
 calling in the streets,
 'Who will join my journey?
 I will guide their feet.'
 Listen, Lord Jesus,
 let my fears be few.
 Walk one step before me;
 I will follow you.

OT READING Genesis 21:8-21**GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 10:32-39**REFLECTION ON THE WORD**

SONG: TiS 685 The power of your love

1

Lord, I come to you:
let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace
that I found in you.

And, Lord, I've come to know
the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away
by the power of your love.

Refrain:

*Hold me close,
let your love surround me;
bring me near,
draw me to your side:
and as I wait
I'll rise up like the eagle,
and I will soar with you:
your Spirit leads me on
in the power of your love.*

2

Lord, unveil my eyes,
let me see you face to face,
the knowledge of your love
as you live in me.

Lord, renew my mind
as your will unfolds in my life,
in living every day
in the power of your love.

Refrain: Hold me close

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...lighting of reflective candles

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us in the trial, and deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory

For ever and ever. Amen.

SONG: TIS 687 God gives us a future

1

God gives us a future,
daring us to go
into dreams and dangers
on a path unknown.
We will face tomorrow
in the Spirit's power,
we will let God change us,
for new life starts now.

2

We must leave behind us
sins of yesterday,
for God's new beginning
is a better way.

Fear and doubt and habit
must not hold us back:
God gives hope, and insight,
and the strength we lack.

3

Holy Spirit, teach us
how to read the signs,
how to meet the challenge
of our troubled times.
Love us into action,
stir us into prayer,
till we choose God's life, and
find our future there.

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how to meet the challenge of our troubled times.
Love us into action, stir us into prayer,
till we choose God's life, and find our future there.

BLESSING

**We believe in a God of new beginnings!
May the grace of Christ, the love of God
And the communion of the Holy Spirit
Bring our hope to our hearts
And peace to God's world. Amen.**

SONG TiS 779 May the feet of God walk with you

Verse 1.

May the feet of God walk with you,
and his hand hold you tight.

May the eye of God rest on you,
and his ear hear your cry.

May the smile of God be for you,
and his breath give you life.

May the Child of God grow in you,
and his love bring you home.

Verse 2.

May the waking sun delight you,
and its evening call to prayer.

May the moon and stars surprise you,
spin your heart to worlds unseen.

May the storms with all their wildness
bring you courage, call to strength.

May the darkness be your comfort,
soft preparing for today.

Verse 3

May the trees and flowers greet you,
sing of life that's all around.

May the weeds bring you compassion,
loved by God and His hand.

May the bird songs tell of freedom,
save you from your foolish chains.

May your heart spill out with loving,
bless the whole wide universe.

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Verses 2&3 are

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