



Ministers' Conference 2024

Worship

Wednesday 20 November, 5.45pm  
Contemporary Evening Worship



*Our service is led by  
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## Welcome & Gathering Prayer

We come here tonight to seek the love of God.  
However, you're feeling here this evening

Jesus says: "**Come**  
If you feel like speaking  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
If you feel like being quiet  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
If you're celebrating something great  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
If you've made some mistakes  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
If you want to meet with Jesus  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
He longs to restore, renew and rebuild us  
Jesus says: "**Come**  
He joins us here as we gather together

*We keep a moment's pause*

Jesus says: "**Come**"

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father,  
thank you for gathering us here.  
We come before you with open hearts,  
longing for your love to fill us,  
inspire and guide us,  
ignite a fire within us.  
May your Spirit move amongst us  
as we grow deeper in love with you.  
Come Holy Spirit and fill this place.  
Amen.

## Songs

*Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me  
(rpt)*

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Take all I have in these hands  
And multiply, God, all that I am  
And find my heart on the altar again  
Set me on fire, set me on fire

*Here I am, God,  
Arms wide open  
Pouring out my life  
Gracefully broken*

My heart stands in awe of Your name  
Your mighty love stands strong to the end  
You will fulfil Your purpose in me  
You won't forsake me, You will be with me

*Here I am God,  
Arms wide open  
Pouring out my life*

*Gracefully broken*

All to Jesus now  
All to Jesus now  
I'm holding nothing back  
Holding nothing back

I surrender, I surrender  
I surrender, I surrender  
I surrender, I surrender  
I surrender, I surrender

*Here I am, God,  
Arms wide open  
Pouring out my life  
Gracefully broken*

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## Saying Sorry to God

Create a pure heart within me, O God, and put a new Spirit within me  
(c.f. Psalm 51:10).

We know that God is love and that God loves all that he has made. He  
loves you and me.

God wants the opportunity to start afresh, whatever we have done.  
Today, we can be made new.

*Invitation to silence*

## Bible Reading

Romans 12:9-13 (The Message)

Love from the centre of who you are; don't fake it. Run for dear life from evil; hold on for dear life to good. Be good friends who love deeply; practice playing second fiddle. Don't burn out; keep yourselves fuelled and aflame. Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. Don't quit in hard times; pray all the harder. Help needy Christians; be inventive in hospitality.

## Guided Prayer

*We invite you to reflect upon areas of need for God's love. Reflective music will play as we pray.*

### *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 for ever.  
Amen.**

## Songs

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me  
You have been so, so good to me  
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me  
You have been so, so kind to me

*Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine  
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God*

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me  
You have been so, so good to me  
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me  
You have been so, so kind to me

*Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God...*

There's no shadow You won't light up  
Mountain You won't climb up  
Coming after me  
There's no wall You won't kick down  
Lie You won't tear down  
Coming after me

*Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God...*

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Oh, I've heard a thousand stories  
Of what they think You're like  
But I've heard the tender whisper  
Of love in the dead of night  
And You tell me that You're pleased  
And that I'm never alone

*You're a good, good Father  
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are*

*And I'm loved by You  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

Oh, and I've seen many searching  
For answers far and wide  
But I know we're all searching  
For answers only You provide  
Because You know just what we need  
Before we say a word

*You're a good, good Father...*

You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable  
I, I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable  
I, I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still into love, love, love

*You're a good, good Father  
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are  
And I'm loved by You  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

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Closing Prayer

Lord, set our hearts on fire with love for you.

**Ignite within us a deep,  
unwavering passion that seeks  
You above all else.**

**Let your love fill every corner of our hearts,  
transforming our desires,  
and guiding our steps.**

**Help us to love you with all our heart,  
soul, mind and strength.**

**May this love overflow touching all those around us,  
with kindness, compassion and grace.**

**Let our lives reflect your love,  
burning brightly in your world.**

**We give ourselves fully to you Lord.**

**Set our hearts on fire with love for you  
today and every day.**

**Amen.**

Song

Come set Your rule and reign  
In our hearts again  
Increase in us we pray  
Unveil why we're made  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope  
Like wildfire in our very souls  
Holy Spirit, come invade us now  
We are Your Church  
We need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first  
We hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives  
For You're our joy and prize  
To see the captive hearts released  
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause  
We are Your church  
We pray revive this earth



*Build Your kingdom here  
Let the darkness fear  
Show Your mighty hand  
Heal our streets and land  
Set Your church on fire  
Win this nation back  
Change the atmosphere  
Build Your kingdom here  
We pray*

Unleash Your kingdom's power  
Reaching the near and far  
No force of hell can stop  
Your beauty changing hearts  
You made us for much more than this  
Awake the kingdom seed in us  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ

We are Your church  
We are the hope on earth

*Build Your kingdom here...*

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## Blessing

May the Love of God fill us,  
the Spirit ignite our hearts  
and the Peace of Christ be with us  
this night and in the days to come.  
**Amen.**

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