

CHORUS 2

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

BRIDGE

I am chosen
Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me
Not against me
I am who You say I am

POST COMMUNION

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN: 'Beauty for Brokenness' – (54)

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

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Safeguarding Sunday

19th November 2023

GATHERING HYMN: Safeguarding Hymn

May this place be one of nurture where we all may come to know how your endless love sustains us as we live and move and grow. May we work to build your kingdom full of truth and light and grace, living life in all its fullness held in one divine embrace.

From our negligence and failures, you have called us to repent, drawing energy for action from the voices of lament. As the secret hurts long hidden may, at last, be brought to light, may the truth unlock the freedom that is every person's right.

For you hold the broken-hearted till they learn to live again, and your justice stands like mountains, while your mercy falls like rain when the smallest child is valued, and the strong empower the weak when each human life is hallowed, and the unheard voices speak:

So, with humble thanks, we praise you and we lift to you in prayer all the people you are calling to this ministry of care. Give us wisdom, grace, and courage, holding fast to all that's good, seeing Christ in one another we will love and serve our Lord.



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COLLECT

Dear God,
Help us to be a church that: Loves, welcomes, protects.
Listens, learns, serves.
Repents, restores, transforms.
Values, cares, believes.
God of Justice and compassion, hear our prayer.
Help us, heal us, guide us, we pray.
In Jesus name. **Amen**

FIRST READING

Micah 6: 6-8

“With what shall I come before the Lord
 and bow myself before God on high?
 Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
 with calves a year old?
 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
 with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
 Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
 the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
 He has told you, O mortal, what is good,
 and what does the Lord require of you
 but to do justice and to love kindness
 and to walk humbly with your God?



For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5: 8-13

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible.

*Live as
 children
 of light.*

EPHESIANS 5:8

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Thanks be to God

GOSPEL HYMN—‘A New Commandment’ - (34)

We sing verse 4 after the Gospel reading

GOSPEL

Mark 12: 28-31

The First Commandment

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this, ‘You shall Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE GIFTS: ‘Brother, Sister, Let me Serve You’ – (81)

COMMUNION HYMNS: ‘Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord’ – (272)

‘Who You Say I Am’

Words and Music by Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan

Who am I that the highest King
 Would welcome me
 I was lost but He brought me in
 Oh His love for me
 Oh His love for me

CHORUS

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Free at last
 He has ransomed me
 His grace runs deep
 While I was a slave to sin
 Jesus died for me
 Yes He died for me

