

Service of Morning Prayer. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>  
November 2021 IDOP Sunday

### The Gathering of God's People

*Welcome everyone by Revd Grant.*

***We are now in Kingdom Season. This month, the Christian Church has held what is called an International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted (IDOP) Church, as Christians across the West focus on prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ, the saints who suffer for seeking to worship and follow Christ. We are holding our IDOP day today.***

*In the brief silence we settle into prayer...*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you

**All and also with you.**



'You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence is the fullness of joy  
and in your right hand are pleasures for  
evermore.' *Psalms 16:10*

### **Opening Song : Whom shall I fear**

We have come together, the people of God,  
drawn by his Spirit, longing for his Word,  
to praise the holy name of the Lord,  
to share his glorious news of grace,  
to pray for our needs and the pain of the world,  
to rejoice in his love and be sent in his peace.

### **Prayers of Penitence**

Jesus said: Repent for the kingdom of heaven is  
close at hand.

So let us turn away from our sin and turn to  
Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins.  
Heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

Blessed is the Lord,

**All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

**All and in our song will we praise our God.**

*We continue in prayer...*

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, ruler and judge  
of all, to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of this age that is passing away,  
may the light of your presence, which the saints  
enjoy, surround our steps, as we journey on.

May we reflect your glory this day  
and so be made ready to see your face in the  
heavenly city where night shall be no more.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

The night has passed,  
and the day lies open before us;  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept.*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence,  
O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

### Psalm 20

May the Lord answer you when you are in distress;

    may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.  
May he send you help from the sanctuary  
    and grant you support from Zion.  
May he give you the desire of your heart  
    and make all your plans succeed.

May we shout for joy over your victory  
    and lift up our banners in the name of our God.  
May the Lord grant all your requests.  
Some trust in chariots and some in horses,  
    but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

They are brought to their knees and fall,  
    but we rise up and stand firm.

Lord, give victory  
    Answer us when we call!

**All**     **Glory to the Father and to the Son  
          and to the Holy Spirit;  
          as it was in the beginning is now,  
          and ever shall be, world without end.**

**Amen.**

### OT: Daniel 7

This is the word of the Lord.

**All**     **Thanks be to God.**

### Video – CAR

NT – Revelation 1:4-18

**Song: Graves into Gardens**

**Gospel:** John 18:33-37

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### The Canticle 'Great and Wonderful'

**All nations shall come and worship you,  
O Christ,  
And share in the feast of your kingdom.**

Great and wonderful are your deeds,  
Lord God the Almighty.

**Just and true are your ways,  
O ruler of the nations.**

Who shall not revere and praise your name, O  
Lord?

For you alone are holy.

**All nations shall come and worship  
in your presence:  
For your just dealings have been revealed.  
(Revelation 15:3-4)**

To the One who sits on the throne  
and to the Lamb  
Be blessing and honour and glory and might,  
For ever and ever. **Amen.**

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Sermon

**Song: Waymaker**

### **Affirmation of Faith:**

*(from the Athanasian Creed)*

We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ,  
the King of Kings  
who became flesh and came among us.

**We believe and declare  
that our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Son of God, is both divine and human.**

God, of the being of the Father,  
the only Son from before time began;  
human from the being of his mother, born in the  
world;

**fully God and fully human;  
human in both mind and body.**

As God he is equal to the Father,  
as human he is less than the Father.  
**Although he is both divine and human  
he is not two beings but one Christ.**

One, not by turning God into flesh,  
but by taking humanity into God;  
**truly one, not by mixing humanity  
with Godhead,  
but by being one person.**

For as mind and body  
form one human being  
so the one Christ is both divine and human.  
**The Word became flesh  
and lived among us;  
we have seen his glory,  
the glory of the only Son from the Father,  
full of grace and truth.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

Let us pray

*Response:*

Lord in your mercy, All: **Hear our Prayer.**

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**



### **Offertory Prayer for gifts to All Saints**

Gracious God

Accept our financial gifts,  
and with them our lives,  
to be used in your service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Collects**

**All** Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of  
good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

“Lord Jesus, thank You that You're mighty above  
all that faces your Church ! Thank You that You  
see and deeply understand and love very, very,  
much each of these persecuted believers who are  
living in fear. Jesus, let them feel this and  
encounter them now.

Jesus, grab their hand now, speak to them, guide  
and encourage them, show them Your way for  
them. And calm their fluttering hearts, shelter  
them in Your embrace and Your strength.

“Thank you that every prayer reaches You and  
that You care for them now! **Amen.**

*Bring our prayers and praises to a close,  
we sing together...*

**All Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Going out as God's People

### Announcements

#### Looking ahead for our dates.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> – Advent Sunday – morning service as well as Prayer and Praise in the evening. 8pm. To gather for an informal time of praise, and intercession for areas of the life of All Saints, as well as praying for the work that Jorin is involved in.

**Charitable Giving:** For the rest of November it goes towards the work of Salvation Army here in Amersfoort.

**Online Services:** with the unsure weeks ahead, in terms of regulations and restrictions in the Netherlands, we will continue to offer our online recorded services into 2022.

### Final Song: Psalm 23

#### Blessing

Christ our exalted King  
pour upon you his abundant gifts  
and bring you to reign with him in glory;  
and the blessing of God  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*We finish with praying the grace together...*

**All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all this day and evermore.  
Amen.**

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