



**St Edmund's Church Taverham and
St Peter's Church Ringland**

**Worship for Sunday
14th August 2022**

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

O church, arise and put your armour on

Hear the call of Christ our captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war, to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valour
When faced with trials on ev'ry side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

*Arise, shine for Your light has come
Arise shine for the Risen Son
Lift Your eyes, we are His radiant bride
Arise O Church arise*

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory
(Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend, Chris Tomlin)

Leader: Eternal God, you set all Creation before us.

All: **In wonder we praise you.**

Loving Christ, you save us, heal us, lead us and encourage us.

In awe we thank you.

Holy Spirit, you fill us with your beauty and power.

In gratitude we worship you.

We open our hearts to you. Transform us by your grace. Amen.

(c unfoldinglight.net)

Praise with joy the world's Creator

God of justice, love and peace

Source and end of human knowledge

Force of greatness without cease

Celebrate the Maker's glory

Power to rescue and release

Praise the Son who feeds the hungry

Clothes the naked, finds the lost

Heals the sick, upsets religion

Fearless of both fate and cost

Celebrate Christ's constant presence

Friend and stranger, guest and host

Praise the Spirit sent among us

Liberating truth from pride

Forging bonds where race or gender

Age or nation dare divide

Celebrate the Spirit's treasure

Foolishness none dare deride

Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit

One God in community

Calling Christians to embody

Oneness and diversity

Thus the world shall yet believe

When shown Christ's vibrant unity

(John Bell & Graham Maule)

We give you thanks, God, for all your gifts to us.

Father, we give you thanks and praise

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For birth and life and strength of body,

for safety and shelter and food,

we give you thanks:

For sight and hearing and the beauty of nature,

for words and music and the power of thought,

we give you thanks:

we praise your holy name.

For work and leisure and the joy of achieving,
for conscience and will and depth of feeling,
we give you thanks:

we praise your holy name.

For grace and truth in Jesus Christ,
for the gifts of the Spirit and the hope of heaven,
we give you thanks:

we praise your holy name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews beginning at chapter 11 verse 29

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient,^[a] because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two,^[b] they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,^[c] and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of^[d] the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Holy Spirit living Breath of God

Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me

Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see
(Stuart Townend, Keith Getty)

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

cf Ephesians 3

In the quiet, in the stillness I know that You are God
In the secret of Your presence I know there I am restored
When You call I won't refuse
Each new day again I'll choose

*There is no one else for me
None but Jesus
Crucified to set me free
Now I live to bring Him praise*

In the chaos, in confusion I know You're Sovereign still
In the moment of my weakness You give me grace to do Your will
When You call I won't delay
This, my song through all my days

All my delight is in You Lord
All of my hope, all of my strength
All my delight is in You Lord forevermore
(Hillsong)

**God of grace,
we confess that like uprooted vines
we are not grounded in your love;
that we do not know how to live.
Our faith is weak; our vision is dark;
our hearts are wounded; our desires are amiss.
Receive us with mercy, God;
forgive our sin, heal our hearts,
and restore in us your Spirit,
so that we may be rooted in your presence,
and bear the fruit of your love.
God, we surrender to your perfect grace. Amen.**
(C unfoldinglight.net)

Gracious Father,
revive your church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hand hath made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

When Christ shall come, with shouts of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, My God, how great You are!
(tune:Swedish Folk / words:Stuart Hine)

So now we leave this space of worship
And while so much of the road ahead is uncertain,
the path constantly changing,
we know some things that are as solid and sure
as the ground beneath our feet,
and the sky above our heads.

We know God is love.
We know Christ's light endures.

We know the Holy Spirit this there,
found in the space between all things,
closer to us than our next breath,
binding us to each other,
until we meet we again,

Go in peace.

~ submitted by Rev. Nora Vedress, Calvary United Church in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada.

The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face toward you
And give you peace

Amen, Amen, Amen

May His favour be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family and your children
And their children and their children

May His presence go before you
And behind you and beside you
All around you and within you
He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming and your going
In your weeping and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you
(Elevation Worship)

Songs used with permission CCLI number 852226