

A service of Reaffirmation

Wrexham Mission Area

St John's Church, Rhosnesni Sunday 20th November 2022 at 4.00pm

Christ the King



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

The Mission Area Leader welcomes the Archdeacon and the congregation

Opening Hymn: Rejoice the Lord is King 769

Loving Father,

You have called us all to be your followers and to serve you in your mission to the world.

We come here today to be joined to together in your service as the Wrexham Mission Area.

Ignite in us a new fire of passion for your Gospel May your living waters flow through us,

The breeze of your Spirit stir us,

That together we may build your Church to the glory of your name. Amen.

O Lord, open our lips

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

Give us the joy of your saving help

and sustain us with your life-giving Spirit

Please sit for the confession

As we come before Christ and pray to be filled with the Spirit, let us call to mind those things in our lives that need God's forgiveness.

A period of silence

Lord, we confess to you that we are often slow to follow the example of Christ Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy Lord, we confess that we allow division and hurt between us Christ, have mercy Christ, have mercy

Lord, we confess that we often fail to be known as Christ's disciples

Lord, have mercy **Lord, have mercy**

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour,

forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus

Christ our Lord. Amen

Song: King of Kings, Majesty. 700

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Collect of the day

Eternal Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven

that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:

keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit

and in the bond of peace,

and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;

grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,

be the kingdom, the power and the glory,

for ever and ever.

A Reading from the Old Testament

Zechariah 6.9-15

Psalm 29 Said by the congregation (see final page of service sheet)

A Reading from the New Testament

Revelation 11.15-18

Sermon by Archdeacon Barry

Hymn: Servant King. 489

THE REAFFIRMATION OF THE MISSION AREA

Led by Archdeacon Barry

The Decree is held up and Mission Area Wardens asked to come forward.

I hold here the new Decree for the Mission Area of Wrexham. This Decree empowers all the churches in this Mission Area to work together collaboratively to be fruitful in mission and discipleship, and to be witnesses of Him who calls us to be people of faith, hope and love. Do you, accept this Decree on behalf of the Wrexham Mission Area?

Wardens: We do.

A Commission is held up and the Leader of the Mission Area is asked to come forward

I hold here the commission for the office of Mission Area Leader for the Wrexham Mission Area. Do you, accept the roles and responsibilities of this office, to lead, develop and administer this Mission Area?

Mission Area Leader: I do.

Loving Father, You have called us all to be your followers and to serve you in your mission to the world. We come here today to continue together in your service as the Wrexham Area. Ignite in us a new fire of passion for your Gospel. May your living waters flow through us, the breeze of your Spirit stir us, that together we may build your Church to the glory of your name. Amen

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. To celebrate our continuing together let us welcome each other in peace.

Tangnefedd yr Arglwydd a fo gyda chwi. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

With tender compassion and transforming power you come among us, O God,

making us members of your household, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

Hymn: Brother Sister let me Serve you. 604

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer

Concluding with...

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

Together we say the Lord's Prayer, each in our language of prayer.

CONCLUSION

The Mission Area Leader offers words of thanks and an invitation to share refreshments.

Archdeacon Barry:

God the Father, who nurtures us, remind us of the purpose you have for us and for our churches and our community. **Amen**

God the Son, who walks alongside us, lead us in our journey together. **Amen**

God the Holy Spirit, who inspires us, sustain us as we stand together **Amen**

A Bendith Duw Hollalluog, y Tad, y Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân, a fo yn eich plith ac a drigo gyda chwi yn wastad. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Closing Hymn: Christ Triumphant Ever Reigning. 612

Mission Area Leader: Let us go forth in peace. In the name of Christ. Amen

Psalm 29

A psalm of David.

- ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendour of his holiness.
- ³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD thunders over the mighty waters.
- ⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is majestic.
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷The voice of the LORD strikes with flashes of lightning.
- ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the desert; the LORD shakes the Desert of Kadesh.
- ⁹The voice of the LORD twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

- ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever.
- ¹¹The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen