**The United Benefice of Sileby, Cossington and Seagrave**

**Morning Prayer at 11am**

**Sunday 26th April 2020**

**This is the service we will be using online on Sunday please log on at https://www.facebook.com/UnitedBeneficeSCS/**

**Welcome**

**Song: Blessed be your name**

**BLESSÈD BE YOUR NAME**

In the land that is plentiful,

Where Your streams of abundance flow,

Blessèd be Your name.

And blessèd be Your name

When I'm found in the desert place,

Though I walk through the wilderness,

Blessèd be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll

Turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord,

Still I will say:

*Bless*è*d be the name of the Lord,*

*Bless*è*d be Your name.*

*Bless*è*d be the name of the Lord,*

*Bless*è*d be Your glorious name.*

Blessèd be Your name

When the sun's shining down on me,

When the world's 'all as it should be',

Blessèd be Your name.

And blessèd be Your name

On the road marked with suffering,

Though there's pain in the offering,

Blessèd be Your name.

You give and take away,

You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say:

Lord, blessèd be Your name.

***All:* We have come together as the family of God, to offer praise and thanksgiving, to hear His Holy Word, to pray for the needs of the world, to seek forgiveness for our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to His service.**

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.

**All**   **Amen.**

**Confession**

Jesus says, ‘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.

*A time of silence and self-examination may be kept.*

***All***   **Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies, cleanse *us* from *our* sins,

and restore *us* in his image to the praise and glory of his name,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***All***   **Amen.**

**Time of Prayer and Intersession**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All**   **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.**

**Readings:**

**Old Testament:** Psalm 23

**New Testament:** Luke 4: 31 -44

**Song: Power in the blood**

Would you be free from the burden of sin?

There’s power in the blood, power in the blood.

Would you o’er evil a victory win?

There’s wonderful power in the blood.

*There is power, power, wonder-working power in the blood of the Lamb;*

*There is power, power, wonder-working power in the precious blood of the Lamb.*

Would you be free from your passion and pride?

There’s power in the blood, power in the blood.

Come for a cleansing to Calvary’s tide;

There’s wonderful power in the blood.

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow?

There’s power in the blood, power in the blood.

Sin stains are lost in its life giving flow;

There’s wonderful power in the blood.

Would you do service for Jesus your King?

There’s power in the blood, power in the blood.

Would you live daily His praises to sing?

There’s wonderful power in the blood.

**Sermon: Evidence he is the Christ**

**Song: These are the days of Elijah**

**THESE ARE THE DAYS OF ELIJAH,**

Declaring the word of the Lord:

And these are the days of Your servant Moses,

Righteousness being restored.

And though these are days of great trial,

Of famine and darkness and sword,

Still, we are a voice in the desert crying

‘Prepare ye the way of the Lord.’

*Behold He comes riding on the clouds,*

*Shining like the sun at the trumpet call;*

*Lift your voice, it’s the year of jubilee,*

*Out of Zion’s hill salvation comes.*

These are the days of Ezekiel,

The dry bones becoming as flesh;

And these are the days of Your servant David,

Rebuilding the temple of praise.

These are the days of the harvest,

The fields are as white in the world,

And we are the labourers in the vineyard,

Declaring the word of the Lord.

**Blessing:**

Gracious God, you have given us much today; grant us also a thankful spirit.

Into your hands we commend ourselves and those we love.

Stay with us, and when we take our rest

renew us for the service of your Son Jesus Christ. **Amen**

***All***   **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**and the love of God,**

**and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,**

**be with us all evermore.**

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

***All***   **Thanks be to God.**