# Sunday 7 May 2023

# Seeing the Unseeable

### Notices

- Big Help Out tomorrow from 9am
- Jacqui Fox funeral 12:30, Tuesday, Earlham
  - Retreat: 10-15 May
  - Hanover service, 2:30pm, Thursday
    - Next week, Steve's birthday!
- 21 May BENEFICE SERVICE AT BRACON ASH!
- Wed 24 May- Mulbarton APCM, 7:30pm, HH
- 28 May BENEFICE PENTECOST AT FLORDON!

# Introduction & Welcome

# Special Prayer for Today

Coronation Sunday Dear friends, we have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to seek forgiveness of our sins, to hear and receive God's holy word, and to pray for the needs of the world.

We also gather this day to pray for our King, that, both now and always, God may grant him wisdom and grace for his ministry among us.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we, with Charles our King, give ourselves to the service of God and others, that our communities may flourish and be places of trust and friendship.

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus, for as you were sent by the Father, so you send us. Equip Charles our King and all your people with the gifts to fulfil our calling, that we may love as you loved, serve as you served, and willingly follow wherever you lead.

> Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God for ever.

# **Song: Praise Him On The Trumpet**

Praise Him On The Trumpet The Psaltery And Harp Praise Him On The Timbrel And The Dance Praise Him With Stringed Instruments, Too Praise Him On The Loud Cymbals Praise Him On The Loud Cymbals Let Everything That Has Breath Praise The Lord

> Hallelujah, Praise The Lord Hallelujah, Praise The Lord Let Everything That Has Breath Praise The Lord Hallelujah, Praise The Lord Hallelujah, Praise The Lord Let Everything That Has Breath Praise The Lord

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### **Word Association Game**

## Bible Reading: John 14:1-14

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. <sup>4</sup> You know the way to the place where I am going."

<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

<sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

<sup>11</sup> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

# **Saying Sorry**

Holy God, it saddens us that we get things wrong with our families, friends and neighbours. We are sorry that we don't always see the needs in others and so fail to be the ear that listens, the hand that guides, the love that enfolds, the word that strengthens, the one that brings life.

We are sorry that we look the other way. Forgive us. Help us to receive your life so we can be the people you want us to be to bring life in your world this week. Amen.

### **Receiving Forgiveness**

Your love is abundant, your forgiveness unimaginable, Jesus. May we hear your still, small voice that says 'My child, my much loved child, your sins are forgiven, your slate wiped clean, the weight of your guilt removed. So go in peace to love and serve your neighbour. **Amen.** 

Seeing "his Father" in Jesus

# The Names of God

### Song: The King Of Love Is My Delight

The King of love is my delight, His eyes are fire, His face is light, The First and Last, the Living One, His name is Jesus. And from His mouth there comes a sound That shakes the earth and splits the ground, And yet this voice is life to me, The voice of Jesus.

> And I will sing my songs of love, Calling out across the earth; The King has come,

The King of love has come. And troubled minds can know His peace, Captive hearts can be released; The King has come, The King of love has come.

My Lover's breath is sweetest wine, I am His prize, and He is mine; How can a sinner know such joy? Because of Jesus. The wounds of love are in His hands, The price is paid for sinful man; Accepted child, forgiven son, Because of Jesus.

And I will sing my songs of love, Calling out across the earth; The King has come, The King of love has come. And troubled minds can know His peace, Captive hearts can be released; The King has come, The King of love has come.

And my desire is to have You near, Lord, You know that You are welcome here. Before such love, before such grace I will let the walls come down.

And I will sing my songs of love, Calling out across the earth; The King has come, The King of love has come. And troubled minds can know His peace, Captive hearts can be released; The King has come, The King of love has come.

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#### The Profession of Faith:

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

# All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed the world? All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God? All: We believe and trust in him.

> This is the faith of the Church. All: This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

### A Minute To Win It

Seeing "us" in King & Queen

### **Responding in Prayer**

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour: look with favour upon thy servant Charles our King, and bestow upon him such gifts of wisdom and love that we and all thy people may live in peace and prosperity and in loving service one to another, to thine eternal glory; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

### Song: God save the King

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King. Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us: God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store On him be pleased to pour, Long may he reign. May he defend our laws, And ever give us cause, To sing with heart and voice, God save the King.

#### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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.

### **Action Blessing**

Father, may the love of Jesus be shown by us (arms around yourself like a hug) May the peace of Jesus be known in us (hands on heart) May the joy of Jesus be spread by us (hands out to the sides) Alleluia (hands waved up high) Amen (hands together)

### Song: Be Thou my vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only first in my heart High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun Heart of my own heart, whatever befall Still be my vision, O ruler of all