St Nicolas NEWBURY
Being Good News. Bringing Good News.

SUNDAY WORSHIP
29th November 2026

1. Come and stand before your maker,
Full of wonder, full of fear.
Come behold his power and glory,
Yet with confidence draw near.
For the one who holds the heavens
And commands the stars above,
Is the God who bends to bless us
With an unrelenting love.

Rejoice!
Come and lift your hands and raise your voice.
He is worthy of all praise.
Rejoice!
Sing the mercies of your king
And with trembling rejoice!

2. We are children of the promise,
The beloved of the Lord,
Won with everlasting kindness
Bought with sacrificial blood
Bringing reconciliation
To a world that longs to know
The affections of a father
Who will never let them go.

3. All our sickness, all our sorrows,
Jesus carried up the hill.
He has walked this path before us,
He is walking with us still,
Turning tragedy to triumph,
Turning agony to praise.
There is blessing in the battle,
So take heart and stand amazed.

Rejoice!
When you cry to him he hears your voice.
He will wipe away your tears.
Rejoice!
In the midst of suffering,
He will help you sing.

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Lord Jesus, light of the world,
born in David's city of Bethlehem,
born like him to be a king:
be born in our hearts at Christmas,
be King of our lives today.
Amen.

1. Some of us are big and tall,
Some of us are very small,
Some of us like pink and some like blue.
Some of us like reading books,
Some of us like feeding ducks,
That's because we're different, me and you.
But God loves everyone He's made.
God loves each of us, in a special way.

That's you and you and you and you
And you and you and you and you.
God loves you, God loves you.
That's you and you and you and you
And you and you and you and you.
We're part of the big family of God.

2. Some of us have curly hair,
Some of us have specs to wear,
All of us have different families.
Some of us are very loud,
Some of us don't make a sound,
That's because we're different, you and me.
But God loves everyone He's made.
God loves each of us, in a special way.

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CONFESSION

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.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You,
I want to see You. (x2)

To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love,
As we sing holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
I want to see you.

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READING: PSALM 27 (PAGE 557 IN THE PEW BIBLE)

SERMON: REVD SIMON EVES

1. All my days I will sing this song of gladness,
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights;
For in my helplessness You heard my cry,
And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

2. I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer;
I will sing of the blood that never fails,
Of sins forgiven of conscience cleansed,
Of death defeated and life without end.

Beautiful Saviour, wonderful Counsellor,
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,
You're the way, the truth, the life.
Star of the morning, glorious in holiness,
You're the Risen One, heaven's champion
And You reign, You reign over all!

3. I long to be where the praise is never-ending;
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
Where countless worshippers will share one song,
And cries of 'worthy' will honour the Lamb!

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS

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 forever.
Amen.

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;
Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

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

3. Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower:
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

4. Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise:
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

5. High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all

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