

**North Kent Circuit Service**  
**Sunday 26th November 2023 10.30am Rev Robin Selmes**

*The Broadcast will commence at 10.15am on Sunday morning with music, the service will begin at 10.30am Throughout the service, music will be broadcast, and the words will appear on the screen.*

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and call to worship

Hymn: O worship the King

O worship the King,  
All glorious above  
O gratefully sing  
His Power and His love  
Our Shield and Defender,  
The Ancient of Days  
Pavilioned in splendour,  
And girded with praise

O tell of His might,  
O sing of His grace  
Whose robe is the light  
Whose canopy space  
His chariots of wrath  
The deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path  
on the wings of the storm

The earth, with its store  
Of wonders untold  
Almighty, Thy power  
Hath founded of old  
Hath stablished it fast  
By a changeless decree  
And round it hath cast  
Like a mantle, the sea

Thy bountiful care  
What tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air  
It shines in the light  
It streams from the hills  
It descends to the plain  
And sweetly distils  
In the dew and the rain

Frail children of dust  
And feeble as frail  
In Thee do we trust  
Nor find Thee to fail  
Thy mercies how tender  
How firm to the end  
Our Maker, Defender,  
Redeemer, and Friend

Robert Grant

Opening Prayers

Dramatised Reading: John 18:33-39

Hymn: King of kings, Majesty

King of kings, Majesty  
God of Heaven living in me  
Gentle Saviour, closest friend  
Strong Deliverer, beginning and end  
All within me falls at Your throne

Your Majesty, I can but bow  
I lay my all before You now  
In royal robes I don't deserve  
I live to serve Your Majesty

Earth and Heaven worship You  
Love eternal, Faithful and True  
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls  
Brought this sinner near to Your throne  
All within me cries out in praise.

Your majesty, I can but bow  
I lay my all before You now  
In royal robes I don't deserve  
I live to serve Your Majesty

Jarrold Cooper

## Sermon

Hymn: Speak, O Lord, as we come to You

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy Word  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience  
Holy reverence, true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity

Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity

And by grace, we'll stand on Your promises  
And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory

Keith Getty / Stuart Townend

## Prayer

### Lord's prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,

the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### Hymn: At the name of Jesus

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess him king of glory now;  
Tis the Father's pleasure, that we should call him  
Lord,  
who from the beginning was the mighty word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came;  
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious when from death he  
passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light,  
through all ranks of creatures to the central  
height;  
To the throne Godhead, to the Father's breast,  
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

Surely, this Lord Jesus shall return again  
With his Father's glory, with his angel train.  
For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,  
and our hearts confess him king of glory now.

Caroline M Noel

## Blessing

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