*How marvellous! how wonderful!*

*is my Saviour's love for me!*

For me it was in the garden

He prayed - 'Not My will, but Thine';

He had no tears for His own griefs,

but sweat drops of blood for mine.

*How marvellous…*

In pity angels beheld Him,

and came from the world of light,

to comfort Him in the sorrows

He bore for my soul that night.

*How marvellous…*

He took my sins and my sorrows,

He made them His very own;

He bore the burden to Calvary,

and suffered, and died alone.

*How marvellous…*

When with the ransomed in glory

His face I at last shall see,

'twill be my joy through the ages

to sing of His love for me.

*How marvellous…*

Charles Hutchinson Gabriel (1858-1932) CCLI 150801

**Benediction**

**Sunday 15th November 2020 – Robin**

Call to worship – Alive with your life – awakened to the glory of another day and summoned to worship by our experience of your love, Father we bring our praise and adoration.

**Hymn MP 544**

Open my eyes that I may see

glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;

place in my hands the wonderful key

that shall unclasp and set me free.

*Silently now I wait for Thee,*

*ready, my God, Thy will to see;*

*open my eyes, illumine me,*

*Spirit divine!*

Open my ears that I may hear

voices of truth Thou sendest clear;

and while the wave-notes

fall on my ear,

everything false will disappear.

*Silently now I wait* ...

Open my mouth and let me bear

tidings of mercy everywhere;

open my heart and let me prepare

love with Thy children thus to share.

*Silently now I wait ...*

Open my mind, that I may read

more of Thy love in word and deed:

what shall I fear

while yet Thou dost lead?

Only for light from Thee I plead.

*Silently now I wait .*

Clara Scott (1841-97) CCLI 150801

**Prayers of praise and worship**

O God, our Father, for this short time of worship direct and control our thoughts that we may ‘see no one save Jesus only.’ Grant us reverence as we remember your glory, penitence as we remember your holiness, gratitude as we remember your love. So that we may rise from our worship with knowledge deepened; with love rekindled – with strength to live more nearly as we ought: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Reading Hebrews 1:1-12**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God’s glory

Renew in each one of us this day a right spirit

that we may radiate the love of Jesus to all those we talk to or meet.

 Help us to go out of our way to care more for others

to follow Christ’s example who came to serve not to be served.

Show to us the people who really need our help and encouragement.

Give us all the gift of being aware of the needs of those around us and the openness to share our faith journeys with each other.

 Help us to make the right choices day by day

To keep everyone safe –

Whilst sharing the Good news with each other and others we meet day by day.

Remind us constantly that all our gifts are from you

for us to use for you

Today we offer afresh our whole selves

to you to be shared as you intend

enable us to live lives reflecting the presence of Jesus

our Lord and Saviour, Amen

**Hymn MP 296**

I stand amazed in the presence

of Jesus the Nazarene,

and wonder how He could love me,

a sinner, condemned, unclean.

*How marvellous! how wonderful!*

*and my song shall ever be:*

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 lamb

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**Prayers of Intercession from Kath**

Dear God,

We pray for all people around the world

those who work for peace and justice

those who stand alongside the poor and mistreated

those who help to keep your families together growing in faith

 We pray for our Westfield fellowship and groups who

 usually meet in our buildings day by day, week by week, month by month,

but not able to meet at present

Help us all continue to find ways of supporting

and encouraging each other

We also pray for the other Wyke fellowships

And their leaders for wisdom and discernment at this time.

 Help us to support and encourage

those who come as speakers & preachers

 who still send their messages even thou they cannot physically be with us

who readily share their experiences and their faith

Be especially with those all key workers and keep them safe and healthy as they help others through the NHS, other emergency services, food supplies, child care, schools and further education.

and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father”? Or again, “I will be his Father, and he will be my Son”? And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.” In speaking of the angels he says, “He makes his angels spirits, and his servants flames of fire.” But about the Son he says, “Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever; a sceptre of justice will be the sceptre of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.” He also says, “In the beginning, Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will roll them up like a robe; like a garment they will be changed. But you remain the same, and your years will never end.”

**Hymn MP 672**

There is a name I love to hear,

I love to speak its worth;

it sounds like music in my ear,

the sweetest name on earth.

*O how I love the Saviour's name,*

*O how I love the Saviour's name,*

*O how I love the Saviour's name,*

*the sweetest name on earth.*

It tells me of a Saviour's love,

who died to set me free;

it tells me of His precious blood,

the sinner's perfect plea.

*O how I love ...*

It tells of One whose loving heart

can feel my deepest woe,

who in my sorrow bears a part

that none can bear below.

*O how I love ...*

It bids my trembling heart rejoice,

it dries each rising tear;

it tells me in a 'still, small voice'

to trust and never fear.

*O how I love ...*

Jesus, the name I love so well,

the name I love to hear!

No saints on earth its worth can tell,

no heart conceive how dear!

*O how I love ...*

FrederickWhitfield (1829-1904) CCLI 150801

**Hymn "There's Power In The Blood"**

Would you be free from your 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 lamb

Would you be whiter much whiter than snow
There's power in the blood, power in the blood
Sin's stains are lost and its life giving flow
There's one flicker 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 lamb

Would you do service for Jesus your king
There's power in the blood, power in the blood
Would you lift David his praises to sing
There's wonderful power in the blood

Thompson chain ref. over 100 titles: eg Alpha and Omega.. The Good Shepherd.. the way, the truth and the life.. etc but only one Name.. a very special God given name. “Thou shalt call his name Jesus”.

PERSONAL

Nicest thing - remember someone’s name but God has “given him a name that is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow”

When I call Fred, George, Neil etc. I have their attention because I have used their name.. when I use the name of Jesus I have heavens attention because I have used His Name.

POWERFUL

Queen, Bush, Thatcher (Iron Lady)power through position, attainment or election but a power and an influence that diminishes with time – but His Name is an everlasting Name and it is through that Name we have forgiveness of sin.

Jesus is the name we treasure,

Name beyond that words can tell,

Name of gladness, Name of pleasure

Ear and heart delighting well.

Name of sweetness passing measure

saving us from sin and hell.

“These things are written that you might believe that Jesus is the Son of God and that believing you might have life through His Name.”

“I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord”

**Communion**

Gracious Father, your might is beyond measure,

your wisdom, beyond knowledge,

your love beyond telling,

you have put eternity into our hearts and made us hunger and thirst after you.

Satisfy the longings you have implanted that we may find you in life and find life in you.

1 Corinthians 12:23-28

Draw near with faith … receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you and His blood, which was shed for you.

We break the bread; take, eat this is the body of Christ broken for you.

We take the cup; this cup is the new covenant sealed by Christ’s blood…

Drink you all of it, in remembrance of Him for as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup you show the Lord’s death till he comes.

Amen, even so come Lord Jesus.

**Message – The Apostles Creed No. 3 Part 1**

“I believe in Jesus Christ His only son, our Lord.”

We begin with the same scripture that we finished with in our last study, it encompasses the whole thought of our credal statement.. and begins in the dawn of time :-

‘In the beginning was the word …

**א**  בְּרֵאשִׁית, בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים, אֵת הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֵת הָאָרֶץ.

..and the Word was with God and the Word was made flesh.’

The creed were instigated in order to avoid error. These new disciples had a background of paganism and many of the ‘mystery’ religions of the east had similar beliefs to the new Christianity.. ie:- Cybele (the great mother)from Phrygia, Isis from Egypt and Midthras from Persia. Each of them crammed with symbolism, rites and sacred meals. One had a lord who died and rose again… sound familiar?... so, the need for some guidelines and a statement of belief… hence the creeds. (apostles, nicene and athanasian).

When we begin to look at the creeds there are times when we have to be precise with the meaning of the words.. ie the word for God in the Greek is Theos (theology) and can be written as Ho Theos.. or just Theos.. Ho Theos has a capital letter and refers to the Father God we love and serve. Theos on its own could be with a capital G, or a small g denoting the pagan gods. John, as he wrote his gospel just used theos with a small g… but we know his meaning and who he was talking about.. Jehovahs Witness translate the first theos with a capital G.. and the second with a small g.. so saying ‘The word was with God (capital G denoting the Father and creator) and the word was a god.’ with a small g denying the divinity of Christ… and states one eminent theologian.. it is just poor scholarship. The word was with Gos… capital G and the word was God.. capital G.

And so the creeds were written to give guidelines and to sieve, as it were and only allow through, that which is scripturally correct.

So:- ‘I believe in Jesus Christ’

The name is a mix of human and divine. “Thou shalt call his name Jesus” a God given name. And, we find, in the gospels times when the humanity of Jesus shows when he was weary with his journey.. when he slept in the midst of a great storm on the lake.. when he was hungry and thirsty.. we are told that he ‘increased in knowledge and wisdom’ surely God knows all things, but this was part of his human limitations. And, ‘The Christ’ means the ‘Anointed One’.. here is the one who stilled that storm.. who healed the sick and raised the dead.. here are two personalities in One. On the cross ‘He could have called 10,000 angels to destroy the world and set him free .. but he died alone for you and me.. His humanity prevailed.. Wesley says “He emptied himself of all but love”

HIS NAME.