ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: He Is Our God **CHILDREN'S TALK**

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our fellow men,
In thought and word and deed,
In the evil we have done
And in the good we have not done,
Through ignorance, through weakness,

Through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

Who died for us,

Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may serve you

In newness of life

To the glory of your name. Amen. Common Worship, © The Archbishops' Council of the Church of England, 2000-2006

NOTICES (Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

SONG: We Belong to the Day

SONG: Show Us Christ

READING: 1 Samuel 1:1-28 (pg.225)

RESPONSES: 1Samuel 2:1-10

SERMON

SOLO: Magnificat - Luke 1:46-55

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 for ever. Amen

SONG: Tell Out My Soul

BLESSING

NOTICES

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Christianity Explored

Wednesdays, 8pm at the King William Building, Greenwich, (June – July):

An informal and relaxed course for anyone who would like to go over the foundations of the Christian Faith. Speak to a member of staff or sign up via

greenwich.church/christianityexplored

Summer Garden Party

It's time for our annual Summer Garden Party! Join us for a time of fellowship, splashing in the pool for the younger ones, and a bring & share picnic:

30th June after the Eltham service, at the Chantry.

Giving

Grace Church is funded wholly by the donations of its members. See www.greenwich.church/give or set up a bank transfer (40-52-40/00027789) or to give tax efficiently contact treasurer@greenwich.church

Next Sunday: 1 Samuel 2:11-4:1a

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Welcome!

Sunday 23rd June 2024

"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, And he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 14:11: 18:14 (ESV)



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2 And Hannah prayed and said,

"My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in the LORD.

My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation.

² "There is none holy like the LORD; there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

³Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth;

for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

⁴The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble bind on strength.

⁵Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry have ceased to hunger.

The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.

⁶The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

⁷The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low and he exalts.

⁸ He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap

to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honour.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world.

⁹ "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness, for not by might shall a man prevail.

¹⁰ The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; against them he will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the power of his anointed."

Praying for Revenge

1 Samuel 1:1 – 2:10

Introduction: Revenge is sweet?

1. Hannah is mock and derided for her faith

2. She delegates revenge to the God of reversals

"Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.'" (Romans 12:19 quoting Deuteronomy 32)

We can also pray for revenge (but not take it ourselves)

But we should keep revenge and praise in the right proportion

And remember "there but for the grace of God go I"

3. She points us to the ultimate reversal of Jesus' death and resurrection

"Have you not read this Scripture: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."" (Mark 12:10 quoting Psalm 118)

Coffee Question: How does Hannah's prayer encourage you? Are there situations in which you need to delegate revenge?