

St Giles' and St Andrew's



Prayer and Peace ...

A service that encourages us to listen to God through His Word & Spirit, while praying for the needs of our Community, the World and each other.

Welcome

On a piece of paper when write down a gift/talent you have, however insignificant it may seem. Be ready to share it ...

Opening Prayer

We come to you, gracious God, we who have many talents and we who have few; we who have much confidence and we who have little. We come not to give and to receive, we come because you call us and believe in us. We come in gratitude and in awe. We come in Jesus' name. Amen.

Song See the light

Arise my soul Remember this He took my sin And He buried it

No longer I who live Now Jesus lives in me For I was dead in sin But I woke up to see the light No I won't boast But in the cross That saved my soul All else is loss

The grip of fear Has no hold on me So where o death Where is your sting?

No longer I who live Now Jesus lives in me For I was dead in sin But I woke up to see the light

All, all of this for your glory x6

No longer I who live Now Jesus lives in me For I was dead in sin But I woke up to see the light

All, all of this for your glory x4

Source: <u>Musixmatch</u> Songwriters: Reuben Timothy Morgan / Benjamin David Fielding See The Light lyrics © Hillsong Music Publishing Australia

Dwelling in the word Matthew 25. 14-30, read by Kate Holliday

Listen to the passage ...

see which bits resonate ...

circle them with a pen or pencil.

Sharing our talents - let's look at what we wrote earlier

I will re-read the passage ... listen

is God's Spirit highlighting a sentence or word to you?

Then we will share our thoughts ... & pray.

14 'Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. **15** To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to

another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. **16** The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. **17** So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. **18** But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

- 19 'After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. 20 The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more."
- **21** 'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"
- 22 'The man with two bags of gold also came. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with two bags of gold: see, I have gained two more."
- 23 'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"
- 24 'Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. "Master," he said, "I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 25 So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you."
- **26** 'His master replied, "You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? **27** Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.
- 28 "So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. 29 For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. 30 And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Song Counting every blessing (words on the screen)

Source: LyricFind

Songwriters: Gareth Gilkeson / Chris Llewellyn / Bridget Herron / Ali Gilkeson / Will Herron / Steve Mitchell / Patrick Thompson, Counting Every Blessing lyrics © Universal Music Publishing Group

... use this time of sung worship to lift your own thoughts and prayers to God ... or just listen.

Intercessions - led by Richard Beckingsale

Lord's Prayer

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 Break our Hearts (words are on the screen)

Source: Musixmatch Songwriters: Vicky Beeching Break Our Hearts lyrics © Integrity Worship Music, Thankyou Music

Final Prayer

We have been gathered in by you, God, the source of all wisdom and wonder. In your infinite kindness, you show goodness to all. May we, who have been nurtured by your consolation and welcome, share consolation and welcome with all we meet, knowing that from your great goodness, all goodnesses flow. Amen.

Thank you for joining us this afternoon for this Zoom service ...