

Welcome to Café Church Pershore

A Service for St Valentine's Day

It's great to have you with us. Grab a coffee/tea/ juice and help yourself to some refreshments.

Feel free to let the kids play with the toys and do colouring. Don't worry about noise. God loves to hear the joy of his people, especially his young ones.

Our time is for around 45 minutes, and we hope you have a fab time.

Here is the order of service. You are invited to join in with the **bits in bold**.

You are welcome to sing but we would just ask that you pop your face covering on to sing.







Order of Service

Gathering

Praise God! For the Lord our God the almighty reigns!

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him the glory.

Happy are those who have been invited to the wedding-feast of the Lamb.

Amen.

We say sorry to God for the stuff we get wrong

Praise the Lord! God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith. **Silence will be kept.**

Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call. our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The priest says the prayer of absolution. **Amen.**

<u>Song – Father we love you.</u>

Father, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify your Name in all the earth Glorify your Name Glorify your Name Glorify your Name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify your Name in all the earth Glorify your Name Glorify your Name Glorify your Name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify your Name in all the earth Glorify your Name Glorify your Name Glorify your Name in all the earth.

Songwriters: Donna W. Adkins Glorify Thy Name lyrics © Universal Music - Brentwood Benson Publ., Cccm Music.

The Collect- The Church's special prayer for today.

God of wonder and of joy: grace comes from you, and you alone are the source of life and love. Without you, we cannot please you; without your love, our deeds are worth nothing.

Send your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,



that we may worship you now with thankful hearts and serve you always with willing minds; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let's listen now to God's Word - 1 Corinthians 13: 1-8, 13.

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. For the Word of the Lord, **All: Thanks be to God.**

Now sit back and listen to today's short talk

We stand to affirm our faith in God and his goodness

Let us declare our faith in God:

All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

> We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Song - Let there be love

Let there be love shared among us Let there be love in our eyes May now Your love sweep this nation. Cause us oh Lord to arise Give us a fresh understanding Of brotherly love that is real, Let there be love shared among us, Let there be love

Let there be hope shared among us Let there be hope in our eyes May now Your hope sweep this nation. Cause us oh Lord to arise Give us a fresh understanding Of brotherly love that is real, Let there be hope shared among us, Let there be hope.

Let there be joy shared among us Let there be joy in our eyes May now Your joy sweep this nation. Cause us oh Lord to arise Give us a fresh understanding Of brotherly love that is real, Let there be joy shared among us, Let there be joy.

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The Peace

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you **All: and also with you.**

We share the peace in the manner in which we feel most comfortable.

We will now be led in a short time of prayer....

At the end the leader will ask us join in with the words of the 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.



Notices

Final prayer

Heavenly Father, We offer you our souls and bodies, our thoughts and words and deeds, our love for one another. Unite our wills in your will, that we may grow in love and peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing.

Song: God is love

God is love: his the care, tending each, ev'rywhere, God is love, all is there! Jesus came to show him, that we all might know him!

Refrain Sing aloud, loud, loud! sing aloud, loud, loud! God is good! God is truth! God is beauty! Praise him!

None can see God above; we can share life and love; thus may we Godward move, seek him in creation, holding ev'ry nation. [*Refrain*] Jesus lived on the earth, hope and life brought to birth and affirmed human worth, for he came to save us by the truth he gave us. [*Refrain*]

To our Lord praise we sing, light and life, friend and King, coming down, love to bring, pattern for our duty, showing God in beauty. [*Refrain*]

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Next session March 13th 9:45am We Hope to see you there. Spread the word!

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