



Pershore Abbey in the Bandstand  
Sunday 27th August 2023 – 2:15p.m

# Teddy Praise Service

With presentation of Plums for Rental of St Andrew's

## Welcome and Introduction

**Leader:** We come together to worship and praise God, to give thanks for all his gifts to us, especially our Teddy Bears and other special friends, and to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**All:** Lord, direct our thoughts, teach us to pray, lift up our hearts to worship you in Spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ. Amen

## Hymn

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
give me joy in my heart, I pray;  
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
keep me praising till the break of day:

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
give me peace in my heart, I pray;  
give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
keep me loving till the break of day:

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
give me love in my heart, I pray;  
give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
keep me serving till the break of day:

Leader: We have gathered to hear God's word from the Bible, to pray for the needs of the world, and offer ourselves for the good of our community.

In a moment of quiet let's think of things we need to thank God for, recall any wrongs we have done or others have done to us, and anything we wish we had done differently. *Silence*

## Reading and Talk

### Blessing of Teddy Bears

#### Hymn (with actions)

*We will sing the hymn through twice*

*Jesus' love is very wonderful,  
Jesus' love is very wonderful,  
Jesus' love is very wonderful,  
Oh, wonderful love!*

It's so high you can't get over it,  
So low you can't get under it,  
So wide you can't get round it,  
Oh, wonderful love!

### Presentation of a pound of the best Pershore Plums

*The presentation of 1lb of best Pershore plums that the Abbey gives to  
The Diocese of Worcester each year as rent for  
St Andrew's Centre.*

## We offer God our Prayers

For the peace of the whole world  
and for the unity of all  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

For all of our sister Churches here in Pershore,  
and for all clergy and people,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

For the leaders of the nations,  
and for all in authority,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

For our community, and especially for our Plum Fair,  
And for every city, town and village,  
and for all the people who live within them,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering all who are sick and in need  
We commit ourselves, one another,  
and our whole life

**All: to you, O Lord**

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 forever. Amen.

## Hymn

*We will sing the hymn through three times*

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,  
And the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy and the trees of the field  
Shall clap, shall clap their hands.  
And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,  
And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands,  
And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,  
And you'll go out with joy.

## Blessing and farewell

Leader: We give thanks for all we have shared in this service this afternoon.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

**All:** Go in the joy and peace of Christ  
**Thanks be to God.**

Please take this service sheet home with you.

Our next **Morning Praise Service** is on  
Sunday, 24th September 2023 at 10:30am in Pershore Abbey  
and

Our next **Café Church** is on  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 09:45am in St Andrew's Centre

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