



Sunday 1st September 2024
The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Morning Worship
Acts 28 : 23 - 31
Proclaiming the Kingdom

Welcome and Prayer

Words of Praise

Sing to the Lord, all the world,
for the Lord is a mighty God.

Sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has done marvellous things.
Proclaim his glory among the nations,
and shout for joy to the Lord our king!

Song : **This little light of mine**

This Time Tomorrow

Confession

Let us confess our sins to God and ask for his forgiveness:

For all the wrong things we have done: in your mercy,
forgive us, O God.

For forgetting what we ought to have remembered, for failing to do as we promised, for turning away when we should have listened, for being careless when we should have been diligent: in your mercy,
forgive us, O God.

For doing things we knew would annoy, for acting in ways we knew would hurt, for behaving in ways we knew would disappoint: in your mercy,
forgive us, O God.

O God, when we look back we can see how foolish and wrong we have been. Forgive us, and help us not to do the same things again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

and 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 forever. Amen.

Songs : **Father God I wonder
 In the darkness we were waiting (King of kings)**

Junior Church in a bag

Bible Reading Acts 28 : 23 - 31

²³ They arranged to meet Paul on a certain day, and came in even larger numbers to the place where he was staying. He witnessed to them from morning till evening, explaining about the kingdom of God, and from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets he tried to persuade them about Jesus. ²⁴ Some were convinced by what he said, but others would not believe. ²⁵ They disagreed among themselves and began to leave after Paul had made this final statement: 'The Holy Spirit spoke the truth to your ancestors when he said through Isaiah the prophet:

²⁶ "Go to this people and say,
'You will be ever hearing but never understanding;
you will be ever seeing but never perceiving.'

²⁷ For this people's heart has become calloused;
they hardly hear with their ears,
and they have closed their eyes.

Otherwise they might see with their eyes,
hear with their ears,
understand with their hearts
and turn, and I would heal them."

²⁸ 'Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!'

³⁰ For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. ³¹ He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ – with all boldness and without hindrance!

Talk : Proclaiming the Kingdom

Song : **In Christ alone**

Affirmation of Faith

There is one God and Father:

from him all things come.

There is one Lord Jesus Christ:

through him we come to God.

There is one Holy Spirit:

in him we are baptised into one body.

We believe in one God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Final Prayer and Blessing