

*St. Augustine's
Family Service*

29 August 2004

ZACCHAEUS

Welcome

Please stand to sing the hymn At the Name of Jesus

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| <p>1. At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess Him
King of glory now :
Tis the Fathers pleasure
We should call Him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.</p> | <p>4. Name Him, brothers, name Him,
With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder
And with bated breath :
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.</p> |
| <p>2. At His voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.</p> | <p>5. In your hearts enthrone Him;
There let Him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true :
Crown Him as your Captain
In temptations hour;
Let His will enfold you
In its light and power.</p> |
| <p>3. Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom He came,
Faithfully He bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death He passed.</p> | <p>6. Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With His Fathers glory,
With His angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him
King of glory now.</p> |

Please sit for the first play :

Introducing Zacchaeus

(Luke 19.1-4)

I must see Jesus. I want to see Jesus.
I must see Jesus

Please stand to sing the hymn
which we shall sing twice.

Open Our eyes, Lord,

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reasons;
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Please sit for the second play :

Zacchaeus meets Jesus

(Luke 19.5,6)

"Hurry down, Zacchaeus, because I
must stay in your house today."

Please stand to sing

The Zacchaeus song

1. Zacchaeus was a taxman,
But wasn't satisfied;
He wanted to be better
But however hard he tried
He couldn't find a way for
Z A C C H A E U S –
Zacchaeus !

2. Zacchaeus heard of Jesus
Off'ring something new.
How could Zacchaeus meet Him ?
What should Zacchaeus do ?
Might this be a way for
Z A C C H A E U S –
Zacchaeus ?

3. Jesus now is coming !

How can Zacchaeus see ?

In the crowd he's much too short –

But here's a handy tree !

This'll be the way for

Z A C C H A E U S –

Zacchaeus !

4. Jesus noticed Zacchaeus

Up there in the tree;

Said, "I'll come to visit you",

And, later, "Follow Me" –

Jesus was the way for

Z A C C H A E U S –

Zacchaeus !

5. If you are unhappy,

And think that you're

astray,

Jesus is still coming,

He is still the way,

Just the way He was for

Z A C C H A E U S –

Zacchaeus !

Please sit or kneel for the prayers.

Narrator Thank You, Lord God, for Your love for each one of us.

People Thank You, Lord.

Narrator Thank You, Lord God for Your Son, Jesus.

People Thank You, Lord.

Narrator Thank You, Lord God, that we may come to Jesus for salvation.

People Thank You, Lord.

Narrator Help us, Lord God, to be people who truly seek to know Jesus better.

People Help us, Lord God, to know Jesus better.

Narrator Forgive us, Lord God, when we make wrong assumptions about people or are mean to one another.

People Forgive us, Lord.

Narrator Forgive us, Lord God, for the times when we are dishonest.

People Forgive us, Lord.

Narrator Thank You, Lord God, that You hear our prayers and that You forgive those with penitent hearts.

People Thank You, Lord.

Please stand to sing the hymn God forgave my sin

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On Zacchaeus

Me thinks, I see, with what a busy haste
Zacchaeus climbed the tree : But, O, how fast,
How full of speed, canst thou imagine, (when
Our Saviour called) he powdered down again !
He ne'er made trial, if the boughs were sound,
Or rotten; nor how far 'twas to the ground :
There was no danger feared; at such a Call,
He'll venture nothing that dare fear a fall;
Needs must he down, by such a Spirit driven;
Nor could he fall, unless he fell to Heaven :
Down came Zacchaeus, ravish'd from the tree;
Bird that was shot ne'er dropped so quick as he.

Francis Quarles (1592-1644)

Please sit as we listen to this imaginary scene at Zacchaeus's house –

Jesus visits Zacchaeus at home
(Luke 19.7,8)

The Son of Man came to seek and save the lost

Please stand to sing

Joy is the flag flown high

**Joy is the flag flown high
From the castle of my heart,
From the castle of my heart,
From the castle of my heart;
Joy is the flag flown high
From the castle of my heart,
When the King is in residence there.**

**(So) Let it fly in the sky,
Let the whole world know,
Let the whole world know,
Let the whole world know,
(So) Let it fly in the sky,
Let the whole world know
That the King is in residence there.**

Can we meet Jesus too ?

Please sit for the reading from

Acts Chapter 10 verses 34-43
(Page 1219 of the church Bibles)

*This reading is the speech given by Peter to the people
gathered at the house of Cornelius, the Roman soldier.*

Narrator This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Those who worship Him and do what is right are
acceptable to Him, no matter what race they belong to.

Please remain seated for

the Message

(After the message you are invited to pray silently this prayer of commitment to Jesus :)

Dear God, I confess that I am a sinner and am sorry for all the wrong things that I have done.

I believe that Your Son, Jesus Christ, died on the cross for my sins. Please forgive me, and I invite You, Jesus, to come into my heart and life as Lord and Saviour. I commit and trust my life to You.

Please help me to be what You want me to be and help me to do what You want me to do.

Thank You for dying for my sins, for Your free pardon, for Your gift of eternal life, and for hearing and answering my prayer.

Amen.

SILENCE

Narrator Let us pray.

Thank You, Lord God, for all those who have made or renewed their commitment to You today. May each one of us here today encourage and help one another to live our lives to Your glory. Amen.

We pray that our homes may be places where Jesus's love shines forth, where honesty and goodness are displayed; help us all to live in harmony with one another and with You, Lord God. Amen.

We remember all who are sick or in trouble or distress at this time. We lift them up to You for Your comfort, Your healing and Your strength. Amen

We pray for all places where there is trouble, war or strife, praying that You would bring peace and reconciliation to all hurting peoples. Forgive us for the times when we cause trouble.

Amen.

Together we sing 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.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and
for ever.**

Amen.

Please stand for the final hymn

Whosoever will may come

**1. Whosoever heareth ! Shout, shout the sound :
Send the blessed tidings all the world around;
Spread the joyful news wherever man is found :
Whosoever will may come.**

Chorus :

*Whosoever will ! Whosoever will !
Send the proclamation over vale and hill;
'Tis the loving Father calls the wanderer home;
Whosoever will may come.*

**2. Whosoever cometh need not delay;
Now the door is open, enter while you may;
Jesus is the true and only living Way :
Whosoever will may come.**

Chorus

**3. Whosoever will, the promise is secure;
Whosoever will, for ever shall endure;
Whosoever will, 'tis life for evermore :
Whosoever will may come.**

Chorus

Please remain standing for

the Blessing

Those taking part :

Names omitted

We invite you to join us for a cuppa in the Hall
(behind the church) at the end of this service.

Last Family Service for 2004 :

10 a.m. on Sunday October 31st

– *and our special Christmas services* –

5pm Sunday December 12th : Carol service and Barbecue;

7pm Friday December 24th : Christingle service

If anyone would like to take part in any of these services please 'phone
●●●●● (●●●●) at least two weeks before the date of the service.

Starting in October, Devonport Parish is offering a six-week programme called "40 days of purpose" for people wishing to explore the purpose and meaning of life from a Christian perspective. St. Augustine's will be taking part in this programme, in a form slightly different from that followed at Holy Trinity Church, and centred on meetings in St Augustine's from 10 - 11:15 am on Sundays October 10th through to Sunday Nov 14th.
For more details 'Phone ●●●●●, ●●●.

Kids' Club for Primary School children meets in the Hall 3 :15pm – 4 :15pm each Tuesday during term time. All children are welcome.