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WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

MOTHERING SUNDAY

CONFESSION

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are sorry, and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and helps us serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse *us* from *our* sins,
and restore *us* in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SONG: FATHER, YOU ARE KING OF HEAVEN

Father, you are King of Heaven and greater than us all
Everything is in your hands from huge right down to small
Sometimes I forget that I can't do things on my own
Please now help me pray to you, and trust in you alone

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Like a potato trying to swim
Like a mountain trying to brush its teeth
When we don't rely on him.
When we pray we trust our Father,
That's what Jesus said
So I'll stop trusting in myself and pray to God instead*

Father, help me now to pray and spend some time with you
Father, you are always good in all you say and do
Sometimes I forget that I can share what's on my mind
Please now help me pray to you, knowing that you are kind

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BIBLE READING: MARK 12:13-27 (NIV)

¹² Then the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders looked for a way to arrest him because they knew he had spoken the parable against them. But they were afraid of the crowd; so they left him and went away.

¹³ Later they sent some of the Pharisees and Herodians to Jesus to catch him in his words. ¹⁴ They came to him and said, 'Teacher, we know that you are a man of integrity. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are; but you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right to pay the poll-tax to Caesar or not? ¹⁵ Should we pay or shouldn't we?'

But Jesus knew their hypocrisy. 'Why are you trying to trap me?' he asked. 'Bring me a denarius and let me look at it.' ¹⁶ They brought the coin, and he asked them, 'Whose image is this? And whose inscription?'

'Caesar's,' they replied.

¹⁷ Then Jesus said to them, ‘Give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s.’

And they were amazed at him.

¹⁸ Then the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question. ¹⁹ ‘Teacher,’ they said, ‘Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁰ Now there were seven brothers. The first one married and died without leaving any children. ²¹ The second one married the widow, but he also died, leaving no child. It was the same with the third. ²² In fact, none of the seven left any children. Last of all, the woman died too. ²³ At the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?’

²⁴ Jesus replied, ‘Are you not in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God? ²⁵ When the dead rise, they will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven. ²⁶ Now about the dead rising – have you not read in the Book of Moses, in the account of the burning bush, how God said to him, “I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob”? ²⁷ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living. You are badly mistaken!’

SERMON PART 1

BIBLE READING: MARK 12:35-44 (NIV)

³⁵ While Jesus was teaching in the temple courts, he asked, ‘Why do the teachers of the law say that the Messiah is the son of David? ³⁶ David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared:

“The Lord said to my Lord:

‘Sit at my right hand
until I put your enemies
under your feet.’”

³⁷ David himself calls him “Lord”. How then can he be his son?’

The large crowd listened to him with delight.

³⁸ As he taught, Jesus said, ‘Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the market-places, ³⁹ and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets. ⁴⁰ They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely.’

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴² But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few pence.

⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything – all she had to live on.'

SERMON PART 2

SONG: FORTRESS (PSALM 46)

O God our rock, our strong defence
Our hiding place, in ev'ry trial
Though mountains fall, and oceans roar
Nothing shall I fear, nothing shall I fear
Nothing shall I fear O Lord

A river flows, beneath your throne
Within these walls, we stand secure
You lift your voice, the nations fade
Soon you will return, soon you will return
Soon you will return to save

Our God, fortress for the weak
Help in time of need
Strong deliverer
Our God, with us in the storm
With us evermore
Mighty Lord of all

Come now behold, the deeds of God
His reign of peace in all the earth
He breaks the bow, an end to war
Be still before the Lord, be still before the Lord
Be still before the Lord most high

PRAYERS

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.**

CHURCH FAMILY UPDATE

FINAL PRAYER

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw you to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen you in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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