

BSS - Lydia's Good News Stall - May 2022

Welcome

Opening Prayer

**You have called us out of every nation
to belong to you.**

**We welcome your presence amongst us here today,
and ask that by your Spirit
you would enable us to worship you,
to hear and understand your Word to us,
and to be equipped for the mission
you have given us.**

In Jesus' name.

Amen

Activity - Balloon Thanksgiving

Opening song - 467 Tell out my soul

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings
give my spirit voice;
Tender to me
the promise of His Word;
In God my Saviour
shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of his name:
make known his might,
the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure,
from age to age the same;
his holy name,
the Lord, the mighty one.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of his might:
pow'rs and dominions
lay their glory by;
proud hearts and
stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed,
the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the glories of his word:
firm is his promise,
and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of the Lord
to children's children
and for evermore.**

Confession & Absolution

**Father,
we have sinned against heaven and against you.
We are not worthy to be called your children. We turn
to you again.
Have mercy on us,
bring us back to yourself
as those who once were dead
but now have life
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

May the Father forgive us
by the death of his Son
and strengthen us
to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.
Amen.

Song - 500 There is a redeemer

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.**

***Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit—
Till the work on earth is done.***

**Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.**

*Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit—
Till the work on earth is done.*

**When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place.**

Reading - Acts 16:9-15 - Kate Elliott

Talk

Affirmation of Faith

Our God be kind and bless us! Be pleased and smile.
We believe in God who created us and loves us. Because of his great love he is kind to us and blesses us. His smile lights up our lives.

Then everyone on earth will learn to follow you, and all the nations will see your power to save us.
We believe that God wants everyone on earth to follow his ways and that he sent his own Son, Jesus, to save us and show us his power, when he died on the cross and came alive again.

**Jesus is Lord! Yet from His throne eternal
In flesh He came to die in pain
On Calvary's tree.
Jesus is Lord! From Him all life proceeding,
Yet gave His life a ransom
Thus setting us free.**

*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with hallelujahs
For Jesus is Lord!*

**Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqueror,
From death He rose, and all His foes
Shall own His name.
Jesus is Lord! God sent His Holy Spirit
To show by works of power
That Jesus is Lord.**

Closing Prayer

**God, our Father,
Yours is the good news which burst out of a tomb,
Broke prison chains, spread across continents,
Travelled through centuries,
Transforms people's lives,
Brings light in dark places,
Gives hope, peace and joy,
Puts love in our hearts, Should never be hidden.
In the name of Jesus
and in the power of the Holy Spirit,
Help us to share your Good News this week,
wherever we go. Amen.**

Blessing

Let the nations celebrate with joyful songs because you judge fairly and guide all the nations.
We believe that God fills us with his Spirit. His joy and justice transform our lives and he guides us and shows us how to share his good news.

Our God has blessed the earth with a wonderful harvest.
We believe that God is faithful and fills the earth with good things, but that people have turned away from him and spoilt creation.

Pray for his blessings to continue, and for everyone on earth to worship our God.
We believe that because of his great love, God forgives everyone who turns back to him and that as part of his new creation we can live with him, love him, worship him and enjoy the light of his smile forever.

Song - SOF 921 Men of faith

**Men of faith, rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King;
You are strong when you feel weak,
In your brokenness complete.**

*Shout to the north and the south,
Sing to the east and the west:
Jesus is Saviour to all,
Lord of heaven and earth.*

**Rise up women of the truth,
Stand and sing to broken hearts,
Who can know the healing power
Of our glorious King of love.**

***Shout to the north and the south,
Sing to the east and the west:
Jesus is Saviour to all,
Lord of heaven and earth.***

**We've been through fire,
We've been through rain;
We've been refined
By the power of His name.
We've fallen deeper in love with You,
You've burned the truth on our lips.**

**Rise up church with broken wings;
Fill this place with songs again,
Of our God who reigns on high:
By His grace again we'll fly.**

***Shout to the north and the south,
Sing to the east and the west:
Jesus is Saviour to all,
Lord of heaven and earth.
Lord of heaven and earth,
Lord of heaven and earth,
Lord of heaven and earth.***

Prayers

Ending with 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.**

Final Song 270

**Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it,
For by His power each tree and flower
Was planned and made.
Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it,
Sun, moon and stars in heaven
Cry, 'Jesus is Lord!'**

***Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with hallelujahs
For Jesus is Lord!***