



**The Protestant Church in the Western part
of Indonesia “Paulus” Congregation**

Youth Sunday Service

THE POWER OF FELLOWSHIP WITH BONDS OF LOVE

**The Twenty Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
November 24th, 2024**



**Minister of Word:
Rev. Dewi Shinta Astadiyan-Bratanata**

WORD OF WELCOME

P2 Dear brothers and sisters, good evening.
We welcome you on behalf of the Paulus church council as we gather here today to honour our heavenly Father. The Minister of Word for today's English Service is Reverend Dewi Shinta Astadiyan-Bratanata.

In this sacred space, let us unite our hearts and spirits in worship of God, who is the very essence of compassion. In our prayers, our songs, and our silence, let us open ourselves to the divine presence that calls us to love, to heal, and to serve with compassionate hearts. May we be inspired by God's grace to carry forward the light of compassion into our world.

LITURGY OF ENTRANCE

CALL TO WORSHIP (*standing*)

P2 Brothers and Sisters, Please stand up and sing to express our gratitude and joy to God!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"We Gather Together" (KJ. 15)

Wilt heden nu treden voor God de Here, Adriaen Valerius 1625

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to His name, He forgets not His own.

... Instrument ...

2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning:
the Lord was at our side- the glory be Thine!

VOTUM

Rev. Our help is in the name of the Lord, Who made heaven and earth!

C ♪ **A – men** (*KJ 476a*)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Rev. *“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.” (1 John 4: 7, NIV)*

GREETING

Rev. Grace and peace from Jesus Christ, our Lord be with you all!

C **And also with you.**

HYMN

“How Strong and Sweet My Father’s Care” (*KJ. 389*)
James R. Murray (1841 – 1905)

1. How strong and sweet my Father's care
That round about me like the air
Is with me always, everywhere!
He cares for me.
2. O keep me ever in Thy love,
Dear Father, watching from above;
And as through life my steps shall move,
O care for me.
3. Dear God and Father, let me know
Thy love will guide me where I go;
And let my heart forever glow
With love to Thee.

(seated)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

P2 Dear brothers and sisters let's confess our sins
before God, we pray:

Gracious and Loving God, as we come before You, We acknowledge, that we have failed in many ways. We have sinned against You and against our neighbours, whether with our thoughts, words, or deeds. We have neglected Your love, and often live according to our own will.

We admit that we have not always lived in unity. We are often selfish, and do not always love as You command. We close our hearts to others in need, and sometimes we prefer the easy path than following Your righteous path.

Forgive us, O merciful God. Cleanse our hearts and renew our insides. In the guidance of the Holy Spirit, make us live in obedience as You wish. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

HYMN

“God Loves Me Dearly” (KJ. 381)

Gott ist Die Liebe, August Rilcke, 1853; Germany, (Thuringen), 1840
(verse 1)

God loves me dearly, grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly, loves even me.

(chorus)

Therefore, I'll say again: God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly, loves even me.

(verse 2)

I was in slav'ry, sin, death, and darkness;
God's love was working to make me free. (chorus)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. God hears our confession and comes near to us in Jesus,
for that let us hear the glorious news!

***“I, even I, am he who blots out
your transgressions, for my own sake,
and remembers your sins no more.” (Isaiah 43: 25, NIV)***

Know that you are forgiven and be righteous.

C Thanks be to God! Amen

HYMN

“I Know Not Why” (KJ. 387)

D. W. Whittle (1883), James Mc Granaham

1. I know not why God’s wondrous grace
to me is daily shown,
nor why, with mercy, Christ in love
redeemed me for His own.

*(Chorus) But “I know whom I have believed,
and am persuaded that he is able
to keep that which I’ve committed
unto him against that day.”*

2. I know not how this saving faith
to me He did impart,
nor how believing in His word
wrought peace within my heart. *(Chorus)*

THE NEW LIFE MESSAGE

Rev. I invite you all to **stand!**

***“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and
dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.
Bear with each other and forgive one another if
any of you has a grievance against someone.
Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all
these virtues put on love, which binds them all
together in perfect unity.***

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

(Colossians 3:12-17, NIV)

May the Holy Spirit help us to proclaim the glory of God in our lives in the world!

C

♪ KJ 242

**Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory while eternal ages run!**

(seated)

CHOIR

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Reverend)

SCRIPTURE READING

Rev. I invite you all to **stand!**
Let's welcome the Word of God! Alleluia!

C ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! (KJ. 473b)

P3 Brothers and sisters, let's listen to the Word of God that will be read from **Ruth 1:12-17** (*New International Version*), which states.....

¹² *Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth*

to sons—¹³ would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the Lord's hand has turned against me!"

¹⁴ At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵ "Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her."

¹⁶ But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me."

This is the Word of The Lord!

Rev. Blessed be the name of the Lord forever; may the glory of God fill the earth!

C ♪ *KJ 303a*
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

(seated)

SERMON

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

"Beauty for Brokenness"

Graham Kendrick (*Christian Contemporary Song*)

A		E/G#		A7/G		D/F#									
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1.	Beau - ty	for		bro - ken - ness,		hope	for	des - pair,							
2.	Shel - ter	for		frag - ile lives,		cures	for	their ____	ills,						
3.	Re - fuge	from		cruel ____	wars,	ha - ven	from	____	fear,						

Bm7		E		C#m7		F#m7		B9				E	
6	2̣	7		6̣	5̣	5̣ .		3	6	3		5	. . '
Lord,	in	Your		suff - ring	world,	this	is	our	prayer:				
work	for	the		craft ____	men,	trade	for	their	skills,				
ci - ties	for			sanc - tu' - ry,		free - dom	to	share,					

C#				F#m				D		Bm7		A	
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bread	for	the		child - ren,		jus - tice,	joy,	peace;					
land	for	the		dis - pos - sessed,		rights	for	the	weak,				
peace	to	the		kill - ing	fields,	scorched	earth	to	green,				

A		C#m7		D				Bm7		E		A		
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sun - rise	to	sun - set,		Your	King - dom	in - crease!								
voi - ces	to	plead	the	cause,	of	those	who	can't	speak.					
Christ	for	the	bit - ter - ness,	His	cross	for	the	pain.						

Chorus

E7 A C#7 F#m
4 4 4 3 | 3 . . ' | 2 3 2 1 | 1 . . ' |
God of the poor, Friend of the weak;

D Bm7 E
6 7 1 1 | 1 2 3 | 2 . . ' |
give us com - pas - sion, we pray!

E7/G# A C#7 F#m
4 4 4 3 | 3 . . 3 | 2 3 2 1 | 1 . . ' |
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain;

D Bm7 D/E
6 7 1 1 | 1 6 1 | 4 . . | 4
come changes our love from a spark

A2 A/D A/Esus4 A2
3 2 | 1 . . | 1 . . | 1 . . | 1 . . ||
to a flame!

THE APOSTLE'S CREED (standing)

Rev. Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say:

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

On the third day, He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

(seated)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

P3 Brothers and sister, now is the time for us to offer our intercessory prayer.

Rev. Let us pray with confidence, each in our unison, as our Savior has taught us:

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CHOIR

OFFERING

P4 “And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice--the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.”
(Romans 12:1)

As we gather here, we remember the blessings in our lives and the shared gratitude that brings us together. In this moment of reflection and joy, we invite you to give your offerings to God.

HYMN

“Thank You, Lord” (KJ. 393)
Seth and Bessie Sykes, 1940,
(c) 1984, Singspiration, Div. of Zondervan.

1. Some thank the Lord for friends and home
For mercies sure and sweet
But I would praise Him for His grace
In prayer I would repeat.

*(Chorus) Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul
Thank you, Lord, for making me whole
Thank you, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.*

instrument ...

3. I trust in Him from day to day
I prove His saving grace
I'll sing this song of praise to Him
Until I see His face. *(Chorus)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(standing)*

P4 Brothers and sisters, let us stand up and pray!
*Lord, we dedicate these offerings to You. May these gifts
be used wisely and effectively, under Your guidance, to
touch lives, transform hearts, and glorify Your name. In
Jesus name, we pray! Amen.*

(seated)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

ANNOUNCEMENT

SENDING *(standing)*

Rev. I invite you all to **stand!**
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

FINAL HYMN

“Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (KJ. 412)

William Williams (1745); Translator: Peter Williams (1771)

1. Guide me, O my great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but You are mighty;
hold me with Your powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.
2. Open now the crystal fountain,
where the healing waters flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
ever be my strength and shield,
ever be my strength and shield.

BENEDICTION

Rev. *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.—Numbers 6:24–26 -NIV*

C ♪ Amen, Amen, Amen (KJ 478c)

1 . 2 3 | 4 . 3 . ' | 2 . 1 . ' | 4 . 2 . | 1 . . . ||
A - - - - - men, a - men, a - - - men,

POSTLUDE