



Sunday 22 May 2022: Christian Aid Week

Minister Rev Wayne Hawkins

Organ voluntary (Tim Stewart)

Call to worship

Song "Kingdom come." (video)

Rainbow Club "Fruit"

Prayer

Creator, Son and Spirit,
we gather together,
online and/or in-person*
to seek Your presence
in our time of worship.

We are hungry for you

Meet us at our point of deepest need.
Connect us with the needs of others.
Equip us to join in your creative work.
Transform us more into your likeness.
We are hungry for your righteousness

We gather with communities in Zimbabwe
this Christian Aid Week.
May their stories make us hungry for justice
and even more impatient for change.
We are hungry for your justice

We gather with all of creation;
with the mountains and the hills.
We shall burst into song,
with the trees of the field
we will clap our hands.
We are hungry to praise you
Amen.

Hymn 126 CH4 "Let's sing to the Lord."

Bible readings: Matthew 3:1-10
Revelation 22:1-5

Christian Aid Film

Address: "Who is my neighbour?"

Hymn 141 CH4 "O the life of the world is a joy and a treasure."

Collection

Prayers of intercession

We have reflected on the injustice in this world which leaves women like Jessica struggling and seeking alternative solutions to provide their families with the most basic necessities of life.

We offer our gifts of money to the ongoing work of Christian Aid in Zimbabwe and across the globe. We are thankful for all that we have and pledge to share our resources to enable those who are hungry to provide.

But we recognise that this is not enough.

We invite you to reflect for a moment, then write or draw a response in the following ways:

Leaf – a prayer and a hope for healing

Fruit and Veg – a good act we can do in the world to make a lasting difference

Axe – an injustice that needs to be changed so all of creation can flourish.

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn259 CH4 "Beauty for brokenness."

Closing words

Organ postlude (Tim Stewart)