Songs of Praise

Dr Graham's Homes Celebrating 125 years



St Columba's Church of Scotland,
Pont Street, London
Tuesday 21st October 2025



Call to worship

"When we all get to Heaven" – The Choir of Dr Graham's Homes sing from the Katherine Graham Memorial Chapel on its 100th anniversary, 21st Sep 2025

Minister

Revd William McLaren
Associate minister St Columba's Church of Scotland

Hymn

Praise my soul the King of Heaven, To His feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like me His praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour to our Fathers in distress;
Praise Him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us, well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes:

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space: Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace.

Reading: Psalm 121

Mrs Fiona Cranston, Granddaughter of the Very Revd Dr John Anderson Graham

I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Hymn

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us, You are one with us, Mary's Son. Cleansing our souls from all their sin pouring your love and goodness in Jesus our love for You we sing, Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day teach us how to pray, Son of God, You have commanded us to do this in remembrance, Lord, of you Into our lives your pow'r breaks through, living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us, born as one of us, Mary's Son. Led out to die on Calvary, risen from death to set us free, Living Lord Jesus, help us see you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to you, live my life for you, Son of God. All your commands I know are true, your many gifts will make me new, Into my life your pow'r breaks through, living Lord.

Patrick Appleford

Reflection

Mr Tensing Norsang, Chair of GO (Global OGB's Assoc. of Dr Graham's Homes)

Hymn

To God be the glory, great things He has done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son. Who yielded His life in atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus His Son;

And give Him the glory great things He has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, To every believer the promise of God! And every offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Frances J. Van Alstyne

Reflection

Dr Bernard Trench Lyngdoh Ryntathiang, President and Chair of the DGH Board of Management

Hymn

Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy one is here. Come, bow before Him now, with reverence and fear. In Him no sin is found, we stand on Holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy one is here. Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with Holy fire, with splendour He is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

David J Evans

Prayer of thanksgiving

Mr Jim Gibson, President and Chair of DGHUK

Our retiring offering is a donation to Dr Graham's Homes

Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down.
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and sinless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley (Tune: Blanwern)

DGH School Prayer

Led by Revd John Webster, Former Chaplain and Farm Estate Manager of Dr Graham's Homes and Honorary Vice President of DGHUK

Congregation are invited to join...

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in whom we live and move & have our being, we bless and praise you who in weakness are our strength, in darkness, our light.

Even now, we are surrounded by your gifts of bodily strength and comfort in the life and companionship of these Homes and you have promised that things to come shall not separate us from your love.

For these and for all your gifts, we give you thanks in the name of Him who is your greatest gift to us – even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Be with us now and when we return to our common tasks.

In worship, in work and in our play, teach us the joy of your presence with us, till work and play themselves be worship and our every thought be to your praise.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Blessing

Revd John Webster

Following the service, the Chairman and trustees of DGHUK warmly invite you to join them in the library, where refreshments and birthday cake will be served.

In the 'London Scottish Chapel' there will be a special showing of the recent 125th birthday celebrations at DGH.

The unique logo depicted on the front of our order of service was chosen through a competition held in the school in 2024 and has been officially trademarked for the school's official use during this celebratory year and beyond. We are grateful to the Board of Management of DGH for their kind permission to use this logo on our order of service.

Today's events will end at 4.30 pm

All donations today will go towards improved communications, IT equipment and intranet facility at the school.

There is also the opportunity to donate on our website:

drarahamshomes.org.uk

Thankyou for your continuing support of Dr Graham's Homes.

(Please note - no food or beverages are permitted in the church or chapel)

