Friday 29th October 2021

1Chr.29,11: "Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all."

Hebr.4,16: "Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

When we know Jesus Christ as our Lord, to whom "is given all authority in heaven and on earth" (Mt.28,18), we can live every day in the light of the truth that we belong to the One to whom the kingdom belongs and who is exalted above all.

"God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fulness of him who fills everything in every way." (Eph.1,22-23) This being so, will there not be another side to the praise of God, namely the desire to know our Lord better? "I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better." (Eph.1,17) Let us ask, then, even as we seek in all our ways to acknowledge the headship of Christ.

The kingdom of God / is justice and joy, for Jesus restores / what sin would destroy; God's power and glory / in Jesus we know, and here and hereafter / the kingdom shall grow.'

(B Rees, 1911-83)