Order of Service for Sunday Morning – 8th January 2023

Christopher Onaka is leading our service and Tom Watts is preaching This morning we celebrate Holy Communion

Welcome & opening prayer

Song: 'We declare'

WE ARE HIS KINGDOM WE ARE HIS BRIDE

For us he paid the price For us he bled and died We are his people his treasured prize For us he conquered sin For he is risen

With thankfulness we will sing With thankfulness we will sing

So we declare the praises Of Jesus Saviour and King He is the cornerstone Hallelujah And now we stand as his church Until the day when he comes in glory Hallelujah

We are a priesthood beloved ones He draws the scattered near He builds his kingdom here A holy nation now set apart To be his hands and feet To speak his mercy

With thankfulness we will sing Adopted now we are his

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Children's song: 'God showed us his love'

WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS

God showed us his love By sending us his own son Jesus died for us

God showed us his love When Jesus died for us While we were his enemies God showed us his love

How do we know what love is? God showed us his love By sending us his own Son Jesus died for us

God showed us his love When Jesus died for us While we were his enemies God showed us his love

While we were lost and without hope You rescued us with your great love

Why should we love each other? God showed us his love By sending us his own Son Jesus died for us

God showed us his love When Jesus died for us While we were his enemies God showed us his love

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Children aged 0-14 leave for their own activities downstairs

Notices

Confession:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Song: 'Psalm 23'

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD I'LL NOT WANT

He makes me lie in pastures green He leads me by the still still waters His goodness restores my soul

And I will trust in You alone And I will trust in You alone For Your endless mercy follows me Your goodness will lead me home

I will trust I will trust in You I will trust I will trust in You Endless mercy follows me Goodness will lead me home

He guides my ways in righteousness And He anoints my head with oil And my cup it overflows with joy I feast on His pure delights

And though I walk the darkest path I will not fear the evil one For You are with me And Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know

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Prayers: Cerian Choi

Readings: Romans 12:1-8 on page 1139

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 on page 1153 (Anita Nadkarni)

Song: 'Show us Christ'

PREPARE OUR HEARTS O GOD

Help us to receive Break the hard and stony ground Help our unbelief Plant Your Word down deep in us 'Cause it to bear fruit Open up our ears to hear Lead us in Your truth

Show us Christ show us Christ O God reveal Your glory Through the preaching of Your Word Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

Your Word is living light Upon our darkened eyes Guards us through temptations Makes the simple wise Your Word is food for famished ones Freedom for the slave Riches for the needy soul Come speak to us today

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Sermon: Spiritual gifts

Let us declare our faith in God in the words of the Nicene Creed:

All: We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is. seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father: through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Holy Communion

Song: 'Hear the call of the kingdom'

HEAR THE CALL OF THE KINGDOM

Lift your eyes to the King Let His song rise within you As a fragrant offering Of how God rich in mercy came in Christ to redeem All who trust in His unfailing grace

Hear the call of the kingdom To be children of light With the mercy of heaven the humility of Christ Walking justly before Him Loving all that is right That the life of Christ may shine through us

King of heaven we will answer the call We will follow bringing hope to the world Filled with passion filled with power to proclaim Salvation in Jesus' name

Hear the call of the kingdom To reach out to the lost With the Father's compassion In the wonder of the cross Bringing peace and forgiveness And a hope yet to come Let the nations put their trust in Him

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Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us by faith with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of the Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.