Order of Service for Sunday morning – 2nd April 2023

Aaron Ku is leading our service and Tom Watts is preaching this morning

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'As the heavens'

AS THE HEAVENS ARE HIGHER THAN THE EARTH,

so his ways are higher than the ways of this world, and his thoughts run deeper than the mind of man; Father, break into our darkened hearts.

Come and drink the river of his Word if you thirst for water that can satisfy; come and join the banquet at the Master's feast where his love and faithfulness provide.

I will trust in you as you speak to me, I will turn to you as you call my name, As the rain gives life on this arid ground so your Word will bring your children home.

Come and listen to his gentle voice for the words he speaks to us are Spirit and life; Come and seek your Saviour while he may be found, sure that Jesus' words can never lie.

I will trust...

From Isaiah 55 Richard Simpkin © 2002 Richard Simpkin Children's talk: David Rue

Children's song: 'Super Saviour'

WHO CAN SAVE THE DAY

Take our sins away Who can rescue us With mighty power

Super Saviour to the rescue Super Saviour mighty to save Look look Here comes Jesus Up up And out of the grave (REPEAT)

He's the death crusher (death crusher) Sin smasher (sin smasher) Who's the mighty super Saviour Jesus (REPEAT) 1-2-3-4

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Children aged 0-14 leave for their own activities downstairs

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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Notices

Interview

Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent,

according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may live a disciplined, righteous and godly life,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Prayers: Fi Kennedy

Readings: Acts 12:25-13:12 on page 1107

Ephesians 6:10-20 on page 1177 (Corinne Brixton)

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

Where else can we go Lord Where else can we go You have the words of eternal life (REPEAT)

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Sermon: Set apart and sent off

Song: 'Only a holy God'

WHO ELSE COMMANDS ALL THE HOSTS OF HEAVEN

Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

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Closing Prayer