

## Order of Service for Sunday morning – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Corinne Brixton is leading our service and  
Tom Watts is preaching this morning

### 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  
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*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 talk: Corinne Brixton**

**Children's song: 'The good song' (Psalm 34:10)**

**THE LIONS MAY GROW WEAK AND HUNGRY**

The lions may grow weak and hungry  
The lions may grow weak and hungry  
But those that seek the Lord lack no good thing  
(REPEAT)

*All things work together for the good of those who love the Lord  
Yes, all things work together for the good of those who love the Lord  
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Oh, yeah!

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**Children aged 0-14 leave for their own activities downstairs**

**Song: 'Gentle and lowly'**

**GENTLE AND LOWLY PATIENT AND KIND**

Ever approachable saviour of mine  
All of my weakness meets your embrace  
Failure and sin meet compassion and grace  
Gentle and lowly Patient and kind  
Ever approachable saviour of mine

Seeing my suffering knowing my fear  
Mercy compels you in love to draw near  
Joy without measure flows through your soul  
Taking my burdens and bearing them all  
Seeing my suffering knowing my fear  
Mercy compels you in love to draw near

Humble redeemer there on the tree  
Nothing could stop you from suffering for me  
Speechless in wonder angels above  
Never had seen such self-emptying love  
Humble redeemer there on the tree  
Nothing could stop you from suffering for me

Gentle and lowly patient and kind  
No other saviour like Jesus I find  
Though my heart changes yours never does  
Ever unchanging compassion and love  
Gentle and lowly patient and kind  
No other saviour like Jesus I find  
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## **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.*

**Prayers: Nate Burke**

**Reading: Acts 11:19-30 on page 1105 (Naomi Carle)**

**Song: 'May the mind of Christ my saviour'**

**MAY THE MIND OF CHRIST MY SAVIOUR**

Live in me from day to day  
By His love and pow'r controlling  
All I do and say

May the Word of God dwell richly  
In my heart from hour to hour  
So that all may see I triumph  
Only through His pow'r

May the peace of God my Father  
Rule my life in everything  
That I may be calm to comfort  
Sick and sorrowing

May the love of Jesus fill me  
As the waters fill the sea  
Him exalting self-abasing  
This is victory

May I run the race before me  
Strong and brave to face the foe  
Looking only unto Jesus  
As I onward go

May His beauty rest upon me  
As I seek the lost to win  
And may they forget the channel  
Seeing only Him

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**Sermon:     The first Christian**

## **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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## **Closing Prayer**