Jack Brooks is leading our service and Alex Chitra is preaching this morning

### Welcome & Opening Prayer

### Song: 'Creation sings the Father's song'

# **CREATION SINGS THE FATHER'S SONG**

He calls the sun to wake the dawn And run the course of day Till evening falls in crimson rays His fingerprints in flakes of snow His breath upon this spinning globe He charts the eagle's flight Commands the newborn baby's cry

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation gazed upon His face The ageless One in time's embrace Unveiled the Father's plan Of reconciling God and man A second Adam walked the earth Whose blameless life would break the curse Whose death would set us free To live with Him eternally

Creation longs for His return When Christ shall reign upon the earth The bitter wars that rage Are birth pains of a coming age When He renews the land and sky All heaven will sing and earth reply With one resplendent theme The glory of our God and King

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# Children's talk: David Rue

### Children's song: 'God made everything'

## THERE'S AN ANT, PLANT, HAND SPAN

Ham, spam, jam, tram Man, ma'am, boy, girl, cheese flan There's a car, spa, tar, bar, aardvark, hard bark Shark, dark park, quark, lark

God made everything you see He made you and he made me There's an ink, link, pink drink Zinc, blink, sink, rink God made everything! There's a prawn, lawn, dawn, horn Pick, tick, picnic Zoo, Zulu, loo, tutu There's a hot spot, knot, pot, tot cot, dot, yacht Bees, knees, fleas, skis, sneeze

God made everything you see He made you and he made me There's a crane, brain, mainframe Plain grain, plane, rain God made everything!

Oh, God made everything you see He made you and he made me When you look everywhere, everywhere stare: God made everything!

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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 No other saviour like Jesus I find

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# **Confession:**

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Prayers: Gareth Burns

# Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-28 on page 1156 (James Lee)

### Song: 'Behold the power of his word'

### **BEHOLD THE POWER OF HIS WORD**

He spoke – creation came to be I will trust his promise He hung the stars – a guarantee His word is strong enough for me I will trust his promise

Generations rise generations fall But his word is living And his word is sure Evermore evermore evermore

There is salvation in his word His voice has called us from the grave I will trust his promise We are surrounded by his grace Here in the midst of those he's saved I will trust his promise

Our eyes have seen Our ears have heard We are a witness to The power of your word So we will tell Your promises are good In Jesus Christ we have Your every word fulfilled

#### Sermon: Our resurrection hope

#### Song: 'There is a day'

## THERE IS A DAY

That all creation's waiting for A day of freedom And liberation for the earth And on that day The Lord will come to meet His bride And when we see Him In an instant we'll be changed

The trumpet sounds And the dead will then be raised By His power Never to perish again Once only flesh Now clothed with immortality Death has now been Swallowed up in victory

We will meet Him in the air And then we will be like Him For we will see Him as He is Oh yeah Then all hurt and pain will cease And we'll be with Him forever And in His glory we will live Oh yeah oh yeah

So lift your eyes To the things as yet unseen That will remain now For all eternity Though trouble's hard It's only momentary And it's achieving Our future glory

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**Closing Prayer**