

## Order of Service for Sunday evening – 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Aaron Ku is leading and Jonathan Norgate (from 2:19) is speaking

### Welcome & opening prayer

### Song: 'Across the lands'

#### YOU'RE THE WORD OF GOD THE FATHER

From before the world began  
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand  
All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice  
Let the skies declare Your glory  
Let the land and seas rejoice

*You're the author of creation  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man  
And Your cry of love rings out  
Across the lands*

Yet You left the gaze of angels  
Came to seek and save the lost  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross  
With a prayer You fed the hungry  
With a word You stilled the sea  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free

With a shout You rose victorious  
Wresting victory from the grave  
And ascended into heaven  
Leading captives in Your wake  
Now You stand before the Father  
Interceding for Your own  
From each tribe and tongue and nation  
You are leading sinners home

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## **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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## **Video**

## **Interview**

## Confession

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,  
this is your world and we are your people:  
come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;  
Lord, be merciful:  
***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have seen the ill-treatment of others  
and have not gone to their aid;  
Lord, be merciful:  
***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have condoned evil and dishonesty  
and failed to strive for justice;  
Lord, be merciful:  
***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have heard the good news of Christ,  
but have failed to share it with others;  
Lord, be merciful:  
***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have not loved you with all our heart,  
nor our neighbours as ourselves;  
Lord, be merciful:  
***ALL: forgive us our sin. Amen.***

**Prayers:**                    **Gavin Ling**

**Reading:**                    **Matthew 11:25-30 on page 977 (Hatty Moore)**

**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

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**Talk:            I will give you rest**

**Song: 'Facing a task unfinished'**

**FACING A TASK UNFINISHED**

That drives us to our knees  
A need that, undiminished  
Rebukes our slothful ease  
We, who rejoice to know You  
Renew before Your throne  
The solemn pledge we owe You  
To go and make You known

Where other lords beside You  
Hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied You  
Defy You still today  
With none to heed their crying  
For life, and love, and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying  
And pass into the night

*We go to all the world  
With kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save  
But Jesus Christ The Lord*

We bear the torch that flaming  
Fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming  
That Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission  
The same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition  
To You we yield our powers

*Chorus...*

O Father who sustained them  
O Spirit who inspired  
Saviour, whose love constrained them  
To toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us  
From lethargy awake!  
Forth on Your errands send us  
To labour for Your sake

*Chorus...*

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## Closing Prayer