## Order of Service for Sunday morning – 25th June 2023

# Corinne Brixton is leading our service and Tom Watts is preaching

### **Welcome & Opening Prayer**

Loving God, we have come to worship you. Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing your praise with gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Children's talk: David Rue

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...

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Children aged 0-14 leave for their own activities downstairs

#### **Notices**

#### 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

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
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Prayers: Joël Carle

Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23 on page 1173 (Edie Rajguru)

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

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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**Sermon:** Praying to the Sovereign God

## Song: 'Jesus is Lord'

## **JESUS IS LORD**

The cry that echoes through creation Resplendent pow'r eternal Word our Rock The Son of God The King whose glory fills the heavens Yet bids us come to taste this living bread

### Jesus is Lord

Whose voice sustains the stars and planets Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown Jesus the man Who washed our feet who bore our suffering Became a curse to bring salvation's plan

Jesus is Lord
The tomb is gloriously empty
Not even death could crush this King of love
The price is paid
The chains are loosed and we're forgiven
And we can run into the arms of God

Jesus is Lord
A shout of joy a cry of anguish
As He returns and every knee bows low
Then every eye
And every heart will see His glory
The judge of all will take His children home

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# **Closing Prayer**