## Order of Service for Sunday morning – 20th August 2023

# Gareth Burns is leading our service and Jon Kennedy is preaching this morning

## **Welcome & Opening Prayer**

Song: 'Come people of the risen King'

#### COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

Who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace
From the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in

Rejoice rejoice let ev'ry tongue rejoice One heart one voice O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun And those weeping through the night Come those who tell of battles won And those struggling in the fight For His perfect love will never change And His mercies never cease But follow us through all our days With the certain hope of peace

Come young and old from ev'ry land Men and women of the faith Come those with full or empty hands Find the riches of His grace Over all the world His people sing Shore to shore we hear them call The truth that cries through ev'ry age Our God is all in all

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## Children's song: 'God's love is the best love'

#### GOD'S LOVE IS THE BEST LOVE

that the world has ever, ever known.

Deeper, than the deep sea is the love that God above has shown. Higher than the rockets up in space, wider than the total human race.

God's love is the best love that the world has ever, ever can ever, ever, will ever, ever know.

Author unknown

## Children aged 0-Year 6 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: 'In Christ alone'

#### IN CHRIST ALONE MY HOPE IS FOUND

He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Prayers: Nate Burke

Reading: Psalm 111 on page 614 (James Lee)

## Song: 'The perfect wisdom of our God'

#### THE PERFECT WISDOM OF OUR GOD

Revealed in all the universe
All things created by His hand
And held together at His command
He knows the myst'ries of the seas
The secrets of the stars are His
He guides the planets on their way
And turns the earth through another day

The matchless wisdom of His ways
That mark the path of righteousness
His word a lamp unto my feet
His Spirit teaching and guiding me
And O the mystery of the cross
That God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise
And all the glory might go to Christ

O grant me wisdom from above
To pray for peace and cling to love
And teach me humbly to receive
The sun and rain of Your sovereignty
Each strand of sorrow has a place
Within this tapestry of grace
So through the trials I choose to say
Your perfect will in Your perfect way

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Sermon: God at work

## Song: 'Lord be my vision'

#### LORD BE MY VISION SUPREME IN MY HEART

Bid every rival give way and depart You my best thought in the day or the night Waking or sleeping your presence my light

Lord be my wisdom and be my true word I ever with you and you with me Lord You my great Father and I your true child Once far away but by love reconciled

Lord be my breastplate my sword for the fight Be my strong armour for you are my might You are my shelter and you my high tower Raise me to heaven O Power of my power

I need no riches nor earth's empty praise You my inheritance through all my days All of your treasure to me you impart High King of heaven the first in my heart

High King of heaven when battle is done Grant heaven's joy to me bright heaven's sun Christ of my own heart whatever befall Still be my vision O Ruler of all

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**Closing Prayer**