

Order of Service for Sunday Morning – 1st October 2023

Welcome to our All Age Service.

Jack Brooks will be leading and Tom Watts will be speaking.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'Oh what a saviour'

LIFT YOUR EYES TO THE LORD YOUR GOD

Father of goodness and grace
All of your burdens and gifts of praise
Come lay them down in this place

*For His arm is mighty and His love will endure
His plan is perfect His victory is sure
And His anger is righteous but His grace is free
Oh what a Saviour is He
Oh what a Saviour is He*

Lift your souls to the Lord your god
Maker of heaven and earth
Sun and moon bow before His throne
Praise Him for all He is worth

Lift your minds to the Lord your God
He will fulfil all your needs
Seek His wisdom attend His words
Follow wherever He leads

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Children's Slot – 5th commandment – David Rue

Song: 'You're the Word of God the Father

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

Confession:

You are kind, Lord.
Sometimes we do and say things
which hurt other people.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You are loving, Lord.
Sometimes we are unkind
and think only of ourselves.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You are merciful, Lord.
Sometimes we cheat
or do things which are unfair.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You are forgiving, Lord.
Sometimes we find it hard to forgive
people who have wronged us.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You listen to us, Lord.
Sometimes we are too busy to listen to others.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You care about your world, Lord.
Sometimes we do thoughtless things,
which show we don't care.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you.

You want others to see your likeness in us,
but that's not what they always see.
ALL: We are sorry. Help us to be more like you. Amen

Prayers: Gareth Burns

Song: 'Safe in the Father's Hands'

SAFE IN THE FATHER'S HANDS

*We are safe in the Father's hands
Though there may be things
We don't understand
We're safe in the Father's hands*

So many things we'll never learn
No matter how hard we try
Though we may feel small
The Maker of all
Watches with loving eyes

Trust in God we can be sure
No matter where life may lead
His promises told, he's in control
He's everything we need

Reading: Exodus 20:12 on page 78 (Clare Ross)

Ephesians 6:1-4 on page 1177

Talk 1 – Tom Watts

Song: 'How deep the Father's love for us'

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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Talk 2 – Tom Watts

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

Closing Prayer