

## Order of Service for Sunday morning – 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Corinne Brixton is leading our service and  
Tom Watts is preaching this morning**

### **Welcome & Opening Prayer**

**Song: 'Christ is risen he is risen indeed'**

#### **HOW CAN IT BE THE ONE WHO DIED**

Has borne our sin through sacrifice  
To conquer every sting of death  
Sing sing hallelujah

For joy awakes as dawning light  
When Christ's disciples lift their eyes  
Alive He stands their Friend and King  
Christ Christ He is risen

*Christ is risen He is risen indeed  
Oh sing hallelujah  
Join the chorus sing with the redeemed  
Christ is risen He is risen indeed (He is risen)*

Where doubt and darkness once had been  
They saw Him and their hearts believed  
But blessed are those who have not seen  
Yet sing hallelujah

Once bound by fear now bold in faith  
They preached the truth and power of grace  
And pouring out their lives they gained  
Life life everlasting

The power that raised Him from the grave  
Now works in us to powerfully save  
He frees our hearts to live His grace  
Go tell of His goodness

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**Children's talk: David Rue**

**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.*

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**Children aged 0-Year 9 leave for their own activities downstairs**

## **Song: 'Psalm 23'**

### **THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD I'LL NOT WANT**

He makes me lie in pastures green  
He leads me by the still still waters  
His goodness restores my soul

*And I will trust in You alone  
And I will trust in You alone  
For Your endless mercy follows me  
Your goodness will lead me home*

I will trust I will trust in You  
I will trust I will trust in You  
Endless mercy follows me  
Goodness will lead me home

He guides my ways in righteousness  
And He anoints my head with oil  
And my cup it overflows with joy  
I feast on His pure delights

And though I walk the darkest path  
I will not fear the evil one  
For You are with me  
And Your rod and staff  
Are the comfort I need to know

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## **Notices**

**Confession:**

God our Father,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you,  
and ignoring your will for our lives;  
Father, forgive us:

***ALL: save us and help us.***

For behaving just as we wish,  
without thinking of you;  
Father, forgive us:

***ALL: save us and help us.***

For failing you by what we do,  
and think and say;  
Father, forgive us:

***ALL: save us and help us.***

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you  
by temptations in the world about us;  
Father, forgive us:

***ALL: save us and help us.***

For living as if we were ashamed  
to belong to your Son;  
Father, forgive us:

***ALL: save us and help us. Amen.***

**Prayers: Kerry Jones**

**Readings: Exodus 20:4-6 on page 77**

**Isaiah 44:9-20 on page 731 (Lally Quayle)**

**Song: 'As the heavens are higher'**

**AS THE HEAVENS ARE HIGHER THAN THE EARTH**

So His ways are higher than the ways of this world  
And His thoughts run deeper than the mind of man  
Father break into our darkened hearts

Come and drink the river of His Word  
If you thirst for water that can satisfy  
Come and join the banquet at the Master's feast  
Where His love and faithfulness provide

Come and listen to His gentle voice  
For the words He speaks to us are Spirit and life  
Come and seek your Saviour while He may be found  
Sure that Jesus' words can never lie

*I will trust in You as You speak to me  
I will turn to You as You call my name  
As the rain gives life on this arid ground  
So Your word will bring Your children home*

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**Sermon: Don't make idols**

## **Song: 'There is one gospel'**

### **THERE IS ONE GOSPEL ON WHICH I STAND**

For all eternity  
It is my story my Father's plan  
The Son has rescued me  
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace  
My highest joy and my deepest need  
Now and forever He is my light  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling  
All else I count as loss  
For there where justice and mercy meet  
He saved me on the cross  
No more I boast in what I can bring  
No more I carry the weight of sin  
For He has brought me from death to life  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found  
The empty tomb still speaks  
For death could not keep my Saviour down  
He lives and I am free  
Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes  
My life is His and His hope is mine  
For he has promised I too will rise  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one  
We do not walk alone  
We have His Spirit as we press on  
To lead us safely home  
And when in glory still I will sing  
Of this old story that rescued me  
Praise to my Saviour the King of life  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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## **Closing Prayer**