Order of Service for Sunday morning – 5th November 2023

Tom Watts is leading our service and Bishop Rob Munro is preaching this morning A warm welcome to our 200th anniversary celebration service

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

ALL: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

ALL: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Song: 'Great is your faithfulness'

GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS, O GOD MY FATHER,

you have fulfilled all your promise to me; you never fail and your love is unchanging all you have been you for ever will be.

Great is your faithfulness, great is your faithfulness, morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed your hand has provided great is your faithfulness, Father, to me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above join with all nature in eloquent witness to your great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Great is your faithfulness...

Pardon for sin, and a peace everlasting, your living presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow these are the blessings your love will provide.

Great is your faithfulness...

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Song: Cornerstone

MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name (REPEAT)

Christ alone cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love Through the storm He is Lord Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil My anchor holds within the veil

When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless stand before the throne

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Video

Children's song: 'We are the church'

BEFORE THE WORLD BEGAN

God made a masterplan
To bring all things together
Under one head
That head is Jesus Christ
Who died and rose to life
And now he's seated
At the right hand of God

Once we were dead in sin
Now we are raised with him
By grace we're saved, through faith
In Jesus alone
Part of his body now
United by his power
Joined with his people
A-all over the world

We are the church, have you heard?
He washed us clean with his word
He chose us to be on his team
We are more loved than we could dream
We've got good news, shout it out
You've got to hear what it's all about
No-one's too far away to be
Welcomed into God's family

Speaking the truth in love
To build the body up
We serve each other
Using gifts from the King
We pray for unity
So everyone will see
God's plan in action
In his people today

One Lord, one faith
One God, one Father
One body, one Spirit
We are one in Christ
One hope, one truth
One cross, one Saviour
One mission, one future
We are one in Christ

Children aged 0-Year 6 leave for their own activities downstairs. Pathfinders (Years 7-9) will stay in the service this week.

Notices

Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done;

and we have done those things that we ought not to have done;

and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent,

according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may live a disciplined, righteous and godly life,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Song: 'Yet not I but through Christ in me'

WHAT GIFT OF GRACE IS JESUS MY REDEEMER

There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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Prayers: Karen Chitra

Christopher Onaka Corinne Brixton

Reading: Luke 14:25-35 on page 1048 (Emma Dalton)

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: Consider the cost and come

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 Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee Hold their unhindered sway Where forces that defied Thee Defy Thee 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 Thee 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 Thine errands send us
To labour for Thy sake

Chorus...

Closing Prayer