

Order of Service for Sunday evening – 25th February 2024

David Rue is leading and Tom Watts is speaking this evening

Welcome & opening prayer

Song: 'The love of the Father'

LIFT UP YOUR VOICES AND LIFT UP YOUR PRAISE

Join with the heavens declaring
The wonders of His faithfulness
Forever

Sing of the victory the hope of the world
The Saviour has risen
The Spirit has come to bring us into love
Forever

*Oh we are the people of God
With the freedom of hope in our hearts
How great is the love of the Father*

Lifted from darkness and into the light
The sons and the daughters are loved at a price
Our God has made us His
Forever

This is the song of the redeemed
The ransomed and the free
Given life at such a price
This is love this is love
And when the Father calls us home
And we see Him on the throne
Hear the voices sing as one
This is love this is love

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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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Confession:

Jesus Christ,
risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.

ALL: Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
In your mercy, forgive us.

ALL: Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us.

ALL: Lord, hear us and help us.

***ALL: Help us to lift our minds above earthly things
and to set them on the risen Christ,
that we may gladly serve Him all our days. Amen.***

Prayers: Gavin Ling

Readings: John 11:17-44 on page 1078

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 on page 1188 (Modi Mwatsama)

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
No other saviour like Jesus I find
No other saviour like Jesus I find

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Talk: Grieving in hope

Song: 'There is a day'

THERE IS A DAY THAT ALL CREATION'S WAITING FOR,

A day of freedom and liberation for the earth.

And on that day the Lord will come to meet His bride, And when we see Him in an instant we'll be changed.

2. The trumpet sounds and the dead will then be raised, By His power, never to perish again.

Once only flesh, now clothed with immortality,
Death has now been swallowed up in victory.

We will meet Him in the air

And then we will be like Him

For we will see Him, as He is (as He is).

Then all hurt and pain will cease

And we'll be with Him forever

And in His glory we will live (we'll live; we'll live).

3. So lift your eyes to the things as yet unseen,

That will remain now for all eternity.

Though trouble's hard, it's only momentary

And it's achieving our future glory.

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Closing Prayer