

Order of Service for Sunday morning – 21st April 2024

**Abi Naidu is leading our service and
Tom Watts is preaching this morning**

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'Holy holy holy'

HOLY HOLY HOLY LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

Early in the morning our song to You shall be
Holy holy holy merciful and mighty
God in three persons blessed Trinity

Holy holy holy all the saints adore You
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and Seraphim falling down before You
Who was and is and ever more shall be

Holy holy holy tho' the darkness hide You
Though the eye of sinful man Your glory may not see
Only You are holy no one can match You
Perfect in power love and purity

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty
All Your works shall praise Your Name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy merciful and mighty
God in three persons blessed Trinity

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Children's Talk: David Rue

Children's song: 'The good song' (Psalm 34:10)

THE LIONS MAY GROW WEAK AND HUNGRY

The lions may grow weak and hungry
The lions may grow weak and hungry
But those that seek the Lord lack no good thing
(REPEAT)

*All things work together for the good of those who love the Lord
Yes, all things work together for the good of those who love the Lord*

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*All things work together for the good of those who love the Lord
Oh, yeah!*

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Children aged 0-11 (Year 6) leave for their own activities downstairs

This week, Pathfinders (Years 7-9) will meet at the back of church and walk to the parsonage

Song: 'Across the lands'

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

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Notices

Confession:

Heavenly Father,
you have loved us with an everlasting love,
but we have turned against you,
ignoring you and rejecting your will for our lives.
We have been stubborn and rebellious,
but you are merciful and kind.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us and change us.
By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you
and to please you in every way;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers: Gareth Burns

Readings: Proverbs 3:1-8 on page 636

Ephesians 1:15-23 on page 1173 (Scarlet Kellers)

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: The Spirit of wisdom and revelation

Song: 'Holy Spirit'

HOLY SPIRIT LIVING BREATH OF GOD

Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

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Closing Prayer