Order of Service for Sunday evening – 5th May 2024

Tom Watts is leading and James Townsend is speaking this evening

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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Song: 'Creator God'

CREATOR GOD WHO SHAPED THE EARTH AND HEAVENS

Your glory shines in all that you have made You spoke the Word who broke into the darkness All earth replies majestic is Your name And who am I though made below the angels That You my King are mindful of my ways As moon and stars sing out their joyful chorus I lift my voice to join with them in praise

Redeeming God creation's song fell silent
As on the cross the Light was pierced with dark
The Word of life to death now hangs surrendered
The One who spoke out stars now breathes His last
And who am I the lowliest of sinners
That You would pay the price my sin deserves
My Maker scarred for those who marred His likeness
And from His wounds flows mercy unreserved

O living God You broke the tomb in glory
Death could not hold the One who authored life
His radiant light has shattered through our darkness
And in our hearts His risen life now shines
And who are we that You would call us children
And raise us up from death to life with you
Where we will sing the New Creation anthem
O praise the One who's making all things new

And so we wait in eager expectation
And join the song as all creation groans
Lord haste the Day decay is slain by glory
The Day you call Your sons and daughters home

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Confession:

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

Song: 'I stand amazed' (How marvelous)

I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE

Of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner condemned unclean

How marvelous how wonderful And my song shall ever be How marvelous how wonderful Is my Savior's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows He made them His very own (And) He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone

And with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
It will be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me

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Prayers: Gavin Ling

Reading: 2 Peter 3:1-10 on page 1223 (Jon Fenton)

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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Talk: Living in the last days

Song: 'We belong to the day'

WE BELONG TO THE DAY

To the day that is to come
When the night falls away
And our Saviour will return
For the glory of the King is in our hearts
On that day we will be seen for what we are

We belong to the day
Let us journey in the light
Put on faith put on love
As our armour for the fight
And the promise of salvation in our eyes
On that day the proud will fall the faithful rise

Strong as a mighty rock
Our refuge in the coming wrath
The heart of the bride belongs
To Jesus Jesus
The earth in its turning stops
To marvel at the Son of God
And all of that day belongs
To Jesus Jesus

We belong to the day
We were bought with Jesus' blood
Soon He comes as the Judge
In the power of His word
We must tell of His salvation while we wait
For the day when Jesus comes will be too late

Oh if ten thousand years go by
We will wait
Let us tell of His great love
He will come
For His patience means salvation

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Closing Prayer