

Order of Service for Sunday morning – 8th September 2024

David Choi is leading our service and
Tom Watts is preaching this morning.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'Creator God'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Ending)

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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Children's talk: David Rue

Children's song: 'God made everything'

THERE'S AN ANT, PLANT, HAND SPAN

Ham, spam, jam, tram
Man, ma'am, boy, girl, cheese flan
There's a car, spa, tar, bar, aardvark, hard bark
Shark, dark park, quark, lark

God made everything you see
He made you and he made me
There's an ink, link, pink drink
Zinc, blink, sink, rink
God made everything!
There's a prawn, lawn, dawn, horn
Pick, tick, picnic
Zoo, Zulu, loo, tutu
There's a hot spot, knot, pot, tot cot, dot, yacht
Bees, knees, fleas, skis, sneeze

God made everything you see
He made you and he made me
There's a crane, brain, mainframe
Plain grain, plane, rain
God made everything!

Oh, God made everything you see
He made you and he made me
When you look everywhere, everywhere stare:
God made everything!

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

This week, Pathfinders (Years 7-9) will stay in the service.

Song: 'Indescribable'

(Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 2, Chorus 1, Chorus 2)

FROM THE HIGHEST OF HEIGHTS TO THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA

Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom

You are amazing God

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
Incomparable unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God

You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God
(REPEAT)
You see the depths of our hearts
And You love us the same
You are amazing God

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Confession:

*Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*

Prayers: Jack Brookes

Readings: Luke 3:1-9 on page 1029

Acts 18:24-19:20 on page 1115 (Lally Quayle)

Song: 'Now in reverence and awe'

(Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus)

NOW IN REVERENCE AND AWE

we gather round your word;
in wonder we draw near
to mysteries that angels strain to hear,
that prophets dimly saw:
so let your Spirit shine upon the page
and teach me;

*Open up my eyes
with truth to free me,
light to chase the lies.
Lord Jesus, let me meet you in your word;
Lord Jesus, let me meet you in your word.*

Lord, your truth cannot be chained;
it searches everything –
my secrets, my desires.
Your word is like a hammer and a fire –
it breaks, it purifies:
so let your Spirit shine into my heart
and teach me;

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Sermon: Incomparable word

Song: 'There Is One gospel'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Verse 4, Ending)

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