

Order of Service for Sunday evening – 15th September 2024
Tom Watts is leading and Aaron Ku is speaking
This evening we shall be celebrating Holy Communion

Welcome & opening prayer

Song: 'Rejoice'

(Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 2, Chorus 1, Verse 3, Chorus 2, Chorus 1)

COME AND STAND BEFORE YOUR MAKER

Full of wonder full of fear
Come behold his power and glory
Yet with confidence draw near
For the one who holds the heavens
And commands the stars above
Is the God who bends to bless us
With an unrelenting love

Rejoice

Come and lift your hands and raise your voice

He is worthy of all praise

Rejoice

Sing the mercies of your king

And with trembling rejoice

We are children of the promise
The beloved of the Lord
Won with everlasting kindness
Bought with sacrificial blood
Bringing reconciliation
To a world that longs to know
The affections of a father
Who will never let them go

All our sickness all our sorrows
Jesus carried up the hill
He has walked this path before us
He is walking with us still
Turning tragedy to triumph
Turning agony to praise
There is blessing in the battle
So take heart and stand amazed

Rejoice

When you cry to him he hears your voice

He will wipe away your tears

Rejoice

In the midst of suffering

He will help you sing

Confession

*Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your 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: Mary Wenham

Reading: Malachi 2:1-9 on page 960 (Corinne Brixton)

Song: 'Revive us O Lord'

FATHER WE COME TO YOU NOW

Trusting again in Your power
Humble and heal us this hour
In Jesus' name
Help us repent of our ways
Our failures in seeking Your face
Open our hearts to Your grace
This is our prayer

*Revive us O Lord
Send forth Your Spirit
Unsheath Your sword
And break through our chains
By the power of Your word
Revive us revive us revive us O Lord*

Idols have captured our land
We worship the works of our hands
Lord for too long we have built
Houses on sand
Teach us to number our days
Cause us to walk in Your ways
Boldly proclaiming Your praise
Until You come

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Talk: What sort of leadership is acceptable to God?

Holy Communion

Song: 'The servant king'

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

FROM HEAV'N YOU CAME HELPLESS BABE

Enter'd our world Your glory veil'd
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

*This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails
Surrendered

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving

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Prayer of Dedication

*Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us by faith
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of the Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.*