Order of Service for Sunday morning – 15th September 2024

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

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: '10,000 reasons' (Bless the Lord)

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

BLESS THE LORD O MY SOUL O MY SOUL

Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name

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Children's talk: Corinne Brixton

Children's song: 'Super Saviour'

(Verse 1, Chorus 1, Bridge, Verse 1, Chorus 1 – where bridge and chorus INCLUDE repeats as below)

WHO CAN SAVE THE DAY

Take our sins away Who can rescue us With mighty power

Super Saviour to the rescue Super Saviour mighty to save Look look Here comes Jesus Up up And out of the grave (REPEAT)

He's the death crusher (death crusher) Sin smasher (sin smasher) Who's the mighty super Saviour Jesus (REPEAT) 1-2-3-4

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

This week, Pathfinders (Years 7-10) will also meet downstairs.

Song: 'Jesus strong and kind'

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

JESUS SAID

That if I thirst
I should come to him
No one else can satisfy
I should come to him

Jesus said
If I am weak
I should come to him
No one else can be my strength
I should come to him

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus strong and kind

Jesus said
That if I fear
I should come to him
No one else can be my shield
I should come to him

Jesus said
If I am lost
He will come to me
And he showed me on that cross
He will come to me

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Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

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But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent,

according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may live a disciplined, righteous and godly life,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Prayers: Nate Burke

Reading: Acts 19:21-41 on page 1116 (Berwyn Rutherford)

Song: 'Psalm 23'

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

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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Sermon: Gospel opposition

Song: 'O church arise'

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

O CHURCH ARISE AND PUT YOUR ARMOUR ON

Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valour
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory

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Closing Prayer