Order of Service for Sunday morning - 22nd September 2024

Tom Watts is leading our service and Aaron Ku is preaching this morning.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

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

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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Children's talk: Corinne Brixton

Children's song: 'God showed us his love'
(Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Bridge, Bridge, Bridge, Verse 3, Chorus)

WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS

God showed us his love By sending us his own son Jesus died for us

God showed us his love When Jesus died for us While we were his enemies God showed us his love

How do we know what love is? God showed us his love By sending us his own Son Jesus died for us

God showed us his love When Jesus died for us While we were his enemies God showed us his love

While we were lost and without hope You rescued us with your great love

Why should we love each other? God showed us his love By sending us his own Son Jesus died for us

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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: 'He will hold me fast'

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

WHEN I FEAR MY FAITH WILL FAIL

Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

He will hold me fast He will hold me fast For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last

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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: Alex Weston

Readings: Acts 20:1-16 on page 1116 (Roger Staton)

Song: 'You alone can rescue'

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

WHO O LORD COULD SAVE THEMSELVES

Their own soul could heal
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your grace is deeper still
(REPEAT)

And You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise

You O Lord have made a way
The great divide You healed
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes Your love goes further still

And You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise
To You alone belongs the highest praise
You alone

We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life
We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life
(REPEAT 4X)

To You alone belongs the highest praise To You alone belongs the highest praise To You alone

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Sermon: Gospel advancing

Song: 'By faith'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus 1, Verse 3, Verse 4, Chorus 1, Verse 5, Chorus 1)

BY FAITH WE SEE THE HAND OF GOD

In the light of creation's grand design In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

By faith the mountain shall be moved And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name

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Closing Prayer