

## Order of Service for Sunday evening – 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024

David Rue is leading and James Townsend is speaking this evening

### Welcome & opening prayer

#### Song: 'Oh what a saviour'

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

#### 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: '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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**Confession:**

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,  
this is your world and we are your people:  
come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;  
Lord, be merciful:

***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have seen the ill-treatment of others  
and have not gone to their aid;  
Lord, be merciful:

***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have condoned evil and dishonesty  
and failed to strive for justice;  
Lord, be merciful:

***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have heard the good news of Christ,  
but have failed to share it with others;  
Lord, be merciful:

***ALL: forgive us our sin.***

We have not loved you with all our heart,  
nor our neighbours as ourselves;  
Lord, be merciful:

***ALL: forgive us our sin. Amen***

**Prayers:                    Mary Wenham**

**Readings:                Malachi 2:17-3:5 on page 961 (Jon Fenton)**

**Song: 'Speak O Lord'**

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3)

**SPEAK O LORD AS WE COME TO YOU**

To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience  
Holy reverence true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise  
Cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak O Lord till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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**Talk:                    Where is the God of Justice?**

## **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**