Order of Service for Sunday morning – 29th September 2024

Jack Brooks is leading our service and Tom Watts is preaching.

This morning we give a warm welcome to the friends and family of Sophia Ashman who is being dedicated this morning

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'Blessed be your name'

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Pre-chorus, Chorus 1, Verse 3, Verse 4, Pre-chorus, Chorus 1, Bridge, Chorus 1)

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll Turn back to praise When the darkness closes in Lord Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

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Dedication of Sophia Ashman

Children's song: 'Great big God' (Chorus 1, Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 1, Chorus 1)

OUR GOD IS A GREAT BIG GOD

Our God is a great big God Our God is a great big God And He holds us in His hands

He's higher than a skyscraper
And He's deeper than a submarine
He's wider than the universe
And beyond my wildest dreams
And He's known me and He's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of
God's amazing plan

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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: 'Shout to the Lord'

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

MY JESUS MY SAVIOUR

Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

Notices

Confession:

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives; Father, forgive us:

ALL: save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you; Father, forgive us:

ALL: save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do, and think and say; Father, forgive us:

ALL: save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you by temptations in the world about us; Father, forgive us:

ALL: save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son; Father, forgive us:

ALL: save us and help us. Amen

Prayers: Gareth Burns

Readings: Acts 20:17-38 on page 1117 (Dorothy Tang)

Song: 'Hear our prayer'

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

HEAR OUR PRAYER GOD ABOVE

As we come to you and seek your patient love Hear our hearts hear our minds Hear the echoes of the words we cannot find

Be our hope be our guide In our wanderings of weakness break our pride Not for ease shall we pray But for strength that we may walk with you this day

So we pray in faith your will be done
As we long to see your kingdom come
We ask with one voice
We ask with one voice
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

Hear our prayer faithful one Shape our yearnings to the gospel of your son Free our hearts free our minds From the war that sin will wage till you arrive

Be our joy be our stay
Give us eyes to see you answer prayer this day
Hear us praise all you've done
We rejoice as we receive the victory won

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Sermon: Keep watch over yourselves

Song: 'He will keep you' (Psalm 121)

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

I LIFT MY EYES AND SEE

I need not be afraid All my help comes from the Lord Who the earth and sky has made

He will keep you from all evils Behind you and before He will sustain you through this journey From now and evermore

The Lord will never sleep
My steps He has ordained
For the One Who holds the night
Is the Sovereign of my days

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Closing Prayer