Order of Service for Sunday morning – 1st December 2024

Tom Watts is leading our service and David Rue is preaching this morning

This morning we celebrate Holy Communion

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'I stand amazed (How marvelous)'

I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE

Of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner condemned unclean

How marvelous how wonderful And my song shall ever be How marvelous how wonderful Is my Savior's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows He made them His very own (And) He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone

And with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see It will be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me

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Children's song: 'Good News family'

WE'VE GOT GOOD NEWS FOR YOU

We've got good news for me We've got good news, it's Jesus We're the good news family

Jesus came down from heaven God in the flesh Perfectly living in the middle of our mess Jesus said he had come to seek and save the lost And he paid for our sins, dying on the cross

Jesus rose up from the dead On the third day Met with his witnesses and sent them on their way Promised his Holy Spirit to empower them Now we are going as people he has sent

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

Pathfinders (Years 7-10) will stay upstairs in the service this week.

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.*

Song: 'We declare'

WE ARE HIS KINGDOM WE ARE HIS BRIDE

For us he paid the price For us he bled and died We are his people his treasured prize For us he conquered sin For he is risen

With thankfulness we will sing With thankfulness we will sing

So we declare the praises Of Jesus Saviour and King He is the cornerstone Hallelujah And now we stand as his church Until the day when he comes in glory Hallelujah

We are a priesthood beloved ones He draws the scattered near He builds his kingdom here A holy nation now set apart To be his hands and feet To speak his mercy

With thankfulness we will sing Adopted now we are his

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Prayers: Corinne Brixton

Reading: Romans 12:9-21 on page 1139 (James Lee)

Song: 'Holy Spiri't

HOLY SPIRIT LIVING BREATH OF GOD

Breathe new life into my willing soul Let the presence of the risen Lord Come renew my heart and make me whole Cause Your word to come alive in me Give me faith for what I cannot see Give me passion for Your purity Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within May Your joy be seen in all I do Love enough to cover ev'ry sin In each thought and deed and attitude Kindness to the greatest and the least Gentleness that sows the path of peace Turn my strivings into works of grace Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth Giving life to all that God has made Show Your power once again on earth Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise Lead us on the road of sacrifice That in unity the face of Christ May be clear for all the world to see

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Sermon: Love in action

Holy Communion

Song: 'O church arise'

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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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.