Order of Service for Sunday evening – 3rd November 2024

Corinne Brixton is leading, and James Townsend is speaking this evening

Welcome & opening prayer

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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Song: 'O Lord my rock and my redeemer'

O LORD MY ROCK AND MY REDEEMER

Greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone
Your grace a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach
Your truth a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer Strong defender of my weary heart My sword to fight the cruel deceiver And my shield against his hateful darts My song when enemies surround me My hope when tides of sorrow rise My joy when trials are abounding Your faithfulness my refuge in the night

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died
You rose the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame
O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

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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: Moses Badrsafdari

Reading: Romans 5:1-11 on page 1132 (Jon Fenton)

Song: 'Gentle and lowly'

GENTLE AND LOWLY PATIENT AND KIND

Ever approachable saviour of mine
All of my weakness meets your embrace
Failure and sin meet compassion and grace
Gentle and lowly Patient and kind
Ever approachable saviour of mine

Seeing my suffering knowing my fear Mercy compels you in love to draw near Joy without measure flows through your soul Taking my burdens and bearing them all Seeing my suffering knowing my fear Mercy compels you in love to draw near

Humble redeemer there on the tree Nothing could stop you from suffering for me Speechless in wonder angels above Never had seen such self-emptying love Humble redeemer there on the tree Nothing could stop you from suffering for me

Gentle and lowly patient and kind
No other saviour like Jesus I find
Though my heart changes yours never does
Ever unchanging compassion and love
Gentle and lowly patient and kind
No other saviour like Jesus I find
No other saviour like Jesus I find

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Talk: Suffering and God's work in us

Song: 'It is well with my soul'

WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER

Is with me on my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
You have taught me to say
"It is well
It is well with my soul"

It is well with my soul It is well It is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet
If trials should come
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded
My helpless estate
And has shed His own blood
For my soul

My sin - Oh, the bliss
Of this glorious thought My sin, not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul!

And Lord haste the day
When our faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trumpet shall sound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well
With my soul

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Closing Prayer