

Order of Service for Sunday morning – 26th January 2025

**Jack Brooks is leading our service
and Tom Watts is preaching this morning**

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song: 'The power of the cross'

OH TO SEE THE DAWN OF THE DARKEST DAY

Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

*This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love

*This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross*

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Children's talk: Corinne Brixton

Children's song: 'God showed us His love'

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

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

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Children aged 0-11 (Year 6) leave for their own activities downstairs.

This week, Pathfinders (Years 7-10) will remain upstairs in the service.

Song: 'Psalm 23'

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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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: Fi Kennedy

Reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-17 on page 1196 (Roger Staton)

Song: Now in reverence and awe'

NOW IN REVERENCE AND AWE

we gather round your word;
in wonder we draw near
to mysteries that angels strain to hear,
that prophets dimly saw:
so let your Spirit shine upon the page
and teach me;

Open up my eyes
with truth to free me,
light to chase the lies.
Lord Jesus, let me meet you in your word;
Lord Jesus, let me meet you in your word.

Lord, your truth cannot be chained;
it searches everything –
my secrets, my desires.
Your word is like a hammer and a fire –
it breaks, it purifies:
so let your Spirit shine into my heart
and teach me;

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Sermon: Everyone equipped

Song: 'Lord be my vision'

LORD BE MY VISION SUPREME IN MY HEART

Bid every rival give way and depart
You my best thought in the day or the night
Waking or sleeping your presence my light

Lord be my wisdom and be my true word
I ever with you and you with me Lord
You my great Father and I your true child
Once far away but by love reconciled

Lord be my breastplate my sword for the fight
Be my strong armour for you are my might
You are my shelter and you my high tower
Raise me to heaven O Power of my power

I need no riches nor earth's empty praise
You my inheritance through all my days
All of your treasure to me you impart
High King of heaven the first in my heart

High King of heaven when battle is done
Grant heaven's joy to me bright heaven's sun
Christ of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

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Closing Prayer