Order of Service for Sunday evening – 6th April 2025

David Rue is leading and Tom Watts is speaking this evening

Welcome & opening prayer

Song: 'Across the lands'

YOU'RE THE WORD OF GOD THE FATHER

From before the world began
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice
Let the skies declare Your glory
Let the land and seas rejoice

You're the author of creation You're the Lord of ev'ry man And Your cry of love rings out Across the lands

Yet You left the gaze of angels
Came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross
With a prayer You fed the hungry
With a word You stilled the sea
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free

With a shout You rose victorious
Wresting victory from the grave
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home

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Song: 'There is one gospel'

THERE IS ONE GOSPEL ON WHICH I STAND

For all eternity
It is my story my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down
He lives and I am free
Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine
For he has promised I too will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone We have His Spirit as we press on To lead us safely home And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me Praise to my Saviour the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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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: Corinne Brixton

Reading: Ephesians 5:22-6:9 on page (Jon Fenton)

Song: 'May the mind of Christ my saviour' (May the mind of Christ)

MAY THE MIND OF CHRIST MY SAVIOUR

Live in me from day to day
By His love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say
All I do and say

May the word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour to hour So that all may see I triumph Only through His pow'r Only through His pow'r

May the peace of God my Father Rule my life in ev'rything That I may be calm to comfort Sick and sorrowing Sick and sorrowing

May the love of Jesus fill me As the waters fill the sea Him exalting self abasing This is victory This is victory

May I run the race before me Strong and brave to face the foe Looking only unto Jesus As I onward go As I onward go

May His beauty rest upon me
As I seek the lost to win
And may they forget the channel
Seeing only Him
Seeing only Him

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Talk: God's plan for relationships at home and at work

Song: 'The servant king'

FROM HEAV'N YOU CAME HELPLESS BABE

Enter'd our world Your glory veil'd Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said

Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails Surrendered

So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving

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Closing Prayer