



**Order of Service**  
**Sunday Evening, 19 May 2024 – Mr Geoff Low**

**Call to Worship**

**Song of Adoration: Behold Our God**

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Who has held the oceans in His hands?	Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?	Who can question any of His words?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice	Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
All creation rises to rejoice	Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?
	<i>Chorus</i>

*Chorus*

*Behold our God seated on His throne  
Come, let us adore Him  
Behold our King! Nothing can compare  
Come, let us adore Him!*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave  
Jesus, Saviour risen now to reign!  
*Chorus*

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Song of Confession: Psalm 32:1-5**

1 How blessed the one who has received forgiveness for his sin!	5 Then I laid bare my sin to you, the guilt that lay within. I said, "O LORD, I have transgressed"— And you forgave when I confessed; you pardoned all my sin.
2 Whose sins are covered from God's face, Whose debt is cancelled in God's grace; there's no deceit in him.	
3 When I kept silent, all my bones with groaning were worn out.	
4 Beneath your hand I felt entrapped Both day and night; my strength was sapped as in a summer drought.	

**Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 62-64** (communal reading)

*Q62. But why can our good works not be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of it?*

A. Because the righteousness which can stand before God's judgment must be absolutely perfect and in complete agreement with the law of God, whereas even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

*Q63. But do our good works earn nothing, even though God promises to reward them in this life and the next?*

A. This reward is not earned; it is a gift of grace.

*Q64. Does this teaching not make people careless and wicked?*

A. No. It is impossible that those grafted into Christ by true faith should not bring forth fruits of thankfulness.

**Pastoral Prayer & Interview with Geoff Low**

## Song of Thanksgiving: Psalm 67

1 God be merciful and bless us;  
shine upon us with your face,

2 That the earth may know your actions  
and all lands your saving grace.

3 O God, may the peoples praise you;  
may all peoples sing your praise.

4 For you judge the nations justly,  
ruling over every race.

May they sing with joy and gladness;  
may they all rejoice as one.

5 O God, may the peoples praise you  
as they all unite in song.

6 Then the land will yield its harvest;  
God will pour his gifts abroad.

7 God, our God, will surely bless us;  
all the earth will fear our God.

## Bible reading

*1 Peter 1:1-9 (p 1014)*

## Sermon: *Chosen Foreigners*

### Song of Response: O Church Arise

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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.

## Benediction

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