

# Order of Service Sunday Evening, 5 October 2025 – Rev. Andy Longwe

### **Call to Worship**

## Song of Adoration: Psalm 71:14-21

14 But as for me, my hope is steadfast, and more and more your name I'll bless. 15 I'll show your measureless salvation, and all day long your righteousness.

16 I will proclaim your acts, O Lord GOD your righteousness, yes, yours alone. 17 For since my youth, O God, you've taught me, and still your wonders I make known.

18 And now, my God, do not forsake me when old and grey I have become, Till I declare your might and power, to generations yet to come.

19 Your justice reaches to the heavens; who is like you, O God, in strength?
20 Though you have shown me many troubles, you will restore my soul at length.

From the deep places of earth's darkness you will bring up my life once more. 21 You will increase your servant's honour, my comfort once again restore.

### **Prayer of Adoration**

## **Bible reading:**

2 Corinthians 5 (p 966)

## Song of Confession: Psalm 39:4-8, 12-13

4 "LORD, show me that my life will end—how many days I'll see— And cause me, LORD, to understand how brief my life will be.

5 "O LORD, how short you make my days before I sink in death. My years are nothing in your sight; man's life is but a breath.

6 "Like shadows people go about; they bustle to and fro.
They heap up wealth, but do not know to whom their wealth will go.

7 "But now, what do I look for, LORD? My hope is set on you. 8 From my transgressions rescue me lest fools in scorn pursue. 12 "O LORD, please listen to my prayer and hear my cry for aid;
Do not be deaf to the appeal which I with tears have made.

"For as your guest I stay a while. I'm like my fathers all—
A stranger and a pilgrim here.
Have mercy when I call.

13 "O turn away your eyes from me. Let me rejoice again Before I finally depart and here no more remain."

## Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 90, 91 (communal reading)

Q90. What is the coming to life of the new nature?

A. It is a heartfelt joy in God through Christ, and a love and delight to live according to the will of God in all good works.

Q91. But what are good works?

A. Only those which are done out of true faith, in accordance with the law of God, and to his glory, and not those based on our own opinion or on precepts of men.

#### **Psalm 117 x2** during which the **Offering** will be taken

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2 For his love is great towards us; his commitment lasts always.
He is faithful now and ever.
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### **Pastoral Prayer**

## Song of Thanksgiving: Come, Now Remember

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Come, now remember our story; How we were blinded by grace, Stopped on the road of rebellion; Won by the sound of his voice. May we remember our bondage, Once with no hope to be free. Death was the wage we were earning, Slaves, 'til he parted the sea.

Come, now remember God's mercy; How we had nothing to give. Yet Jesus gave us his garments; Clothed us and caused us to live. Then let us put away boasting. Christ's blood must scatter our pride. Once we were not the Lord's people; Now he has made us his bride.

Come, now remember God's power; How Jesus rose from his grave! Come, hear the sound of his gospel; God's pow'r to those being saved. And though we share in his suffering, May we be never ashamed. His strength made perfect in weakness. Our refuge found in his name.

Come, now remember God's promise; How we shall enter his rest, How we are sealed with his Spirit, Called, chosen, righteous, and blessed. No condemnation in Jesus! No one can pluck from God's hand. One day to see and be like him, On this assurance we stand.

Come, now remember our calling: Striving together as one, Humble and loving our neighbour, Holy, as daughters and sons. Love shows that we are disciples. Now let us go and make more. Christ be the glory of nations. Christ be forever adored!

## **Old Testament Bible reading:**

Ecclesiastes 12 (p 559)

Sermon: Be Bold; Be Joyful and Be Godly (part 2)

## Song of Response: Only a Holy God

(Michael Farren, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, Jonny Robinson, ©2016 CityAlight Music, CCL No 7073332) Who else commands all the hosts of heaven? What other glory consumes like fire?

Who else could make ev'ry king bow down? Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises? What other splendour outshines the sun? What other maiesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God.

Chorus

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only. Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God. Come and worship the Holy God.

What other power can raise the dead? What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God.

Chorus

Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer His only Son? Who else invites me to call Him Father? Only a Holy God. Only my Holy God. Chorus

#### **Benediction**

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