



Order of Service
Sunday Morning, 16 November 2025 – Mr Dick Haffenden

Call to Worship

Song of Adoration: Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12 (Tune: St Leonard, 240)

1 How delightful are your dwellings,
O Almighty LORD, to me!
2 For your courts my soul is yearning;
in your house I long to be.
Heart and flesh cry out aloud
for the true and living God.

3 Even sparrows find their dwelling,
and the swallow builds a nest
Near your altar, LORD Almighty,
where her offspring may have rest.
4 Blessed whose home is your abode,
they are ever praising God.

10 One day in your courts is better
than a thousand days elsewhere.
Let me stay in my God's temple—
let me be a doorman there—
Rather than find happiness
in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD gives grace and honour;
God will be a shield and sun.
He will not withhold his blessing
from the just and blameless one.
12 LORD Almighty, great and true,
blessed the one who trusts in you.

Prayer of Adoration with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Song of Confession: Psalm 130 (Tune: Martyrdom, 71)

1 LORD, from the depths I call to you;
2 Lord, hear me from on high
And give attention to my voice
when I for mercy cry.
3 LORD, in your presence who can stand,
if you our sins record?
4 But yet forgiveness is with you,
that we may fear you, LORD.

5 I wait—my soul waits—for the LORD;
my hope is in his word.
6 More than the watchman waits for dawn
my soul waits for the Lord.
7 O Isr'el, put your hope in God,
for mercy is with him
8 And full redemption. From their sins
his people he'll redeem.

Psalm 117 x2 (Tune: Regent Square, 244) during which the **Offering** will be taken
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Pastoral Prayer

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 12, 15, 18 (communal reading)

Q12. Since, according to God's righteous judgment we deserve temporal and eternal punishment, how can we escape this punishment and be again received into favour?

A. God demands that his justice be satisfied. Therefore we must make full payment, either by ourselves or through another.

Q15. What kind of mediator and deliverer must we seek?

A. One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who is at the same time true God.

Q18. But who is that Mediator who at the same time is true God and a true and righteous man?

A. Our Lord Jesus Christ, *who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption* (1 Cor 1:30).

Bible Reading:

Ruth 4:1-12 (p 224)

Sermon: *Ruth Revisited*

Song of Thanksgiving: Sing Scripture 55 (Titus 3:3-8)

1. At one time we were foolish
and disobeyed the Lord,
enslaved by all the pleasures
our passions can afford;
Deceived by their false promise,
we lived in enmity
with everyone around us
in hate and jealousy.

2. But when God's love and kindness
towards us was made known,
he purchased our salvation
not through good works we've done,
but in his grace and mercy
he saved us from our sin,
renewed us by his Spirit
and cleansed our hearts within.

3. For our regeneration
the Holy Spirit came,
poured out upon us freely
through Christ our Saviour's name;
So, justified by mercy,
we have this hope through grace,
as heirs of life eternal,
that we shall see his face.

4. This saying is trustworthy
and therefore should be stressed,
so that our lives may honour
the faith we have professed;
So let us be committed
to doing what is right,
for this is useful for us
and pleasing in God's sight.

Lord's Supper

Song of Response: Great is the Gospel of Our Glorious God

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Great is the gospel of our glorious God,
where mercy met the anger of God's rod;
a penalty was paid and pardon bought,
and sinners lost at last to Him were brought:

Refrain:

*O let the praises of my heart be Thine,
for Christ has died that I may call Him mine,
that I may sing with those who dwell above,
adoring, praising Jesus, King of love.*

Great is the mystery of godliness,
great is the work of God's own holiness;
it moves my soul, and causes me to long
for greater joys than to the earth belong:
Refrain

The Spirit vindicated Christ our Lord,
and angels sang with joy and sweet accord;
the nations heard, a dark world flamed with light
when Jesus rose in glory and in might:
Refrain

Benediction

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