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# **Order of Service**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023



## Welcome to St Paul's!

This morning's service is being led by: **Rev'd Bill Bowman**The Organ is played by: **Mr Robert Cooper** 

#### It is a joy to welcome you to this service!

If you do not attend a church elsewhere, we invite you to join with us in our Sunday worship and other activities – see <a href="https://www.stpaulsurc.org.uk">www.stpaulsurc.org.uk</a>

Feel free to spend time before worship for quiet preparation, especially once the music begins. We light a candle during worship to remind us of Christ's message of peace.

The Reformed Church recognises God's Word as its supreme authority and you are asked to stand as the Bible is brought in at the start of worship, and again as the Bible is taken out after the blessing.

Please use 'T' on your hearing aid if you need to use the Hearing Loop.

#### **Church Notices**

<u>Call to Worship</u> <u>Lighting our Peace Candle</u>

WE SING: 603 LORD FOR THE YEARS

<u>Prayer</u> The Lord's Prayer

## All Age Talk

**WE SING: 594 PEACE, PERFECT PEACE** 

### **Prayer**

Act of Remembrance

WE SING: 705 O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

**Readings:** Isaiah 2: 2-4 (*Pg.550*)

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.
Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

4 He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

**Revelation 21: 1-6** (*Pg.1007*)

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home<sup>[a]</sup> of God is among mortals. He will dwell<sup>[b]</sup> with them; they will be his peoples,<sup>[c]</sup> and God himself will be with them;<sup>[d]</sup>

4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

## Sermon

WE SING: 629 MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE

**Prayers of Intercession** 

Offering for the work of this church

WE SING: 344 GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

**Blessing** 

All are welcome to join us for refreshments and time together, in the halls, after the service!

# Coming up...

### **Tuesday Guild**

'Silk Painting' with Elitta Feel

Tuesday 14th November, 10:15am

### **Short Service for Peace**

Martin will be in the Sanctuary for a 30min service as we seek peace for our world. You are very welcome to join him in person or via zoom: Meeting ID: 845 5391 2820 / Password: 1111 (A message will go out, if this is not running)

Friday's, 7:45-8:15pm

### **United Prayer Time - Zoom**

'Zoom' Meeting ID: 845 5391 2820 / Password: 1111 If you would like us to pray for you or a person/situation close to you, please message/email Martin or Sue.

**Every Saturday, 8am** 

### **Next Sunday Worship**

led by Albert and Elizabeth Wood

Sunday 19th November 2023, 10:30am

### For all future events and activities please see our website

Martin is on leave from Monday 13th to Friday 24th November. Please contact Sue or Bea as necessary.



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