

**St Andrew's and St George's West**  
**Order of service, Sunday 6 November 2022**

**Call to Worship:** Open to me the gates of righteousness  
**That I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord**  
The stone that the builders rejected  
**Has become the chief cornerstone**  
This is the Lord's doing  
**It is marvellous in our eyes**  
This is the day that the Lord has made  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

**HYMN 132** Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.**

**Setting the Scene**

**Sharing Christ's Peace**

**HYMN 200** Christ is made the sure foundation

**Scripture Readings**

**Acts 4: 32-37**

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

**Acts 15: 30-41**

So they were sent off and went down to Antioch. When they gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. When its members read it, they rejoiced at the exhortation. Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, said much to encourage and strengthen the believers. After they had been there for some time, they were sent off in peace by the believers to those who had sent them. But

Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, and there, with many others, they taught and proclaimed the word of the Lord.

### Paul and Barnabas Separate

After some days Paul said to Barnabas, 'Come, let us return and visit the believers in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord and see how they are doing.' Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. But Paul decided not to take with them one who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not accompanied them in the work. The disagreement became so sharp that they parted company; Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus. But Paul chose Silas and set out, the believers commending him to the grace of the Lord. He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

**Reflection:** 'Harmony and Humanity'

**HYMN 497** Almighty Father of all things that be

### Dedication of the Offering

### Prayers of the People

**HYMN 360** Jesus Christ is waiting

### Sending and Blessing

Worship leaders: Rev Gordon Jamieson with Katie McNeill

Organist: George Barrett

Musician: James McNeil

Scripture Readings: New Revised Standard Version Anglicised

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