

**St Andrew's and St George's West  
Order of Service, 23rd July 2023  
'Celebrating Creativity'**



**Gathering music**

**Welcome**

**Call to worship**

- <sup>1</sup> It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
**to sing praises to your name, O Most High,**
- <sup>2</sup> to declare your steadfast love in the morning  
**and your faithfulness by night,**
- <sup>3</sup> to the music of the lute and the harp,  
**to the melody of the lyre.**
- <sup>4</sup> For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;  
**at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

*Psalm 92: 1-4*

**Hymn 160** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

## **Opening Prayer and 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 today 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.**

## **Sharing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you  
  
and also with you

## **Handbells and the Bellringers' Hymn**

### **Hymns Ancient & Modern 496**

Unchanging God, who livest  
Enthroned in realms on high,  
To us the power thou givest  
Thy name to magnify.  
We raise the bells for ringing  
With ready mind and will,  
And come before thee, bringing  
Our hearts, our strength, our skill.  
  
We call, from tower and steeple,  
Upon the day of days,  
All faithful Christian people  
To worship, prayer and praise;  
We ring with joyous gladness  
When man and wife are blessed;  
We peal in muffled sadness  
For loved ones laid to rest.

By union free and willing  
The work of God is done;  
Our Master's prayer fulfilling,  
We would in him be one:  
One, as the Church our Mother  
Would have her children stand,  
Befriending one another,  
A strong and steadfast band.

Our lives, like bells, while changing,  
An ordered course pursue;  
Through joys and sorrows ranging,  
May all those lives ring true.  
May we, through Christ forgiven,  
Our faults and failures past,  
Attain our place in heaven,  
Called home to rest at last.

Words: Henry Charles Wilder, 1904

## **Scripture Readings (NRSV)**

### ***Psalm 150: 1-6***

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!  
Praise God in his sanctuary;  
praise him in his mighty firmament!<sup>[a]</sup>  
<sup>2</sup> Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!  
<sup>3</sup> Praise him with trumpet sound;  
praise him with lute and harp!  
<sup>4</sup> Praise him with tambourine and dance;  
praise him with strings and pipe!  
<sup>5</sup> Praise him with clanging cymbals;  
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!  
<sup>6</sup> Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD!

### ***Philippians 4: 4-9***

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to

God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

**Hymn 172** Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation

### **Reflection**

*Celebrating creativity*

**Hymn 120** God, we praise you. God, we bless you.

### **Prayers of the People**

**Hymn 459** Crown him with many crowns

### **Sending and blessing**

### **Sending music**

Worship Leader: Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison

Worship Assistants:

Scripture Reader:

Organist/pianist: David Stewart

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