North Kent Circuit Service Sunday 16th October 2022 10.30am Rev Robin Selmes

The Broadcast will commence at 10.15am on Sunday morning with music, the service will begin at 10.30am Throughout the service, music will be broadcast, and the words will appear on the screen.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome

Call to worship

Hymn: Praise my soul the King Of heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, To his feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like thee his praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him still the same for ever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless: Praise Him! Praise Him! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us, Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes: Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels in the height, adore him; Ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him, Dwellers all in time and space: Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace!

Henry Lyte

Opening Prayer

Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And his righteousness; And all these things shall be added unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone, But by every word That proceeds from the mouth of God, Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you, Seek, and ye shall find. Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

Karen Lafferty

Sermon Part 1 "Seeking after God"

Reading: Psalm 63

Sermon Part 2 "Seeking after God"

Hymn: As the deer pants for the water

As the deer pants for the water So my soul longs after you. You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship you You alone are my strength, my shield To You alone may my spirit yield You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver, Only you can satisfy. You alone are the real joy giver And the apple of my eye.

Refrain

You're my friend and You are my brother Even though You are a King I love You more than any other So much more than anything

Refrain

Martin Nystrom

Praying Through the Psalm

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand. In Christ alone! – who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied – For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand: Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Stuart Townsend

Blessing