

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024, 10:30am

3. I cannot tell how He will win the nations,  
how He will claim his earthly heritage,  
how satisfy the needs and aspirations  
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.  
But this I know, all flesh shall see His glory,  
and He shall reap the harvest he has sown,  
and some glad day His sun will shine in splendour,  
when He the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

4. I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,  
when at His bidding, every storm is stilled,  
or who can say how great the jubilation  
when all our hearts with love for him are filled.  
But this I know, the skies will sound His praises,  
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,  
and earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will answer:  
'At last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!'

William Y Fullerton 1857-1932 | Tune: Londonderry Air

## Benediction

### Notices & Matters for Prayer

**Welcome** to Oxford Pres! Children's activity sheets are available on the welcome table. A crèche/feeding room & toilet is available downstairs to the right of the gallery.

**Evening Worship, 5pm** Andy will be preaching from Exodus 25.

**Central Prayer Meeting** this Thursday from 7-9pm here at the North Gate Hall. Please join with us to pray for the needs of the world, the church and ourselves.

**Next Bring and Share Lunch and Children's Club** will be on 7th July after the morning service.

**Ocean Explorers Holiday Bible Club** 28<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> August, 9:30am-12:30pm. Flyers and booking forms are available on the welcome table and from our website.

**Save the Date!** Our annual Women's Retreat is on 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> October. Further details to follow!

Please be responsible for your property and (parents) your children whilst you are with us. If you wish to be added to the church email list, please speak with Alberto or Andy.

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## Welcome & Notices

### Call to Worship

For this is what the LORD says – he who created the heavens, he is God; he who fashioned and made the earth, he founded it; he did not create it to be empty, but formed it to be inhabited – he says: 'I am the LORD, and there is no other. I have not spoken in secret, from somewhere in a land of darkness; I have not said to Jacob's descendants, "Seek me in vain." I, the LORD, speak the truth; I declare what is right.

Isaiah 45:18-19

### Prayer for God's Presence & Blessing

#### Let all creation's wonders and countless angel hordes

unite in ceaseless worship to praise the Lord of lords:  
he spoke, and formed the cosmos; he set the stars in place;  
his voice defines the contours of interstellar space–  
let sun and moon extol him and every planet sing;  
across the constellations let alleluias ring.

2. From far beneath the oceans let joyful songs arise,  
while hail and wind and lightning toss psalms across the skies.  
You beasts of farm and jungle, let nature's hymn be heard;  
tell out your maker's greatness, each insect, every bird;  
you peoples and you rulers, acknowledge him as King–  
from every generation let alleluias ring.

3. So let us lift our voices for all that we are worth  
to God whose timeless splendour surpasses heaven and earth:  
in love he chose and called us, a people of his own,  
and gave to us a Saviour to make his mercy known.  
His name alone we honour; our lifelong praise we bring;  
from deep within our spirits let alleluias ring!

Martin Leckebusch © 2001 Kevin Mayhew | Psalm 148 | Tune: Thaxted

### Call to Confession

'Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.

Isaiah 45:22-23

## Confession of Sin

Mighty God, we humble ourselves for faculties misused, opportunities neglected, words ill-advised. We repent of our folly and inconsiderate ways, our broken resolutions, untrue service, our backsliding steps, our vain thoughts. O bury our sins in the ocean of Jesus' blood and let no evil result from our fretful temper, unseemly behaviour, provoking pettiness. O thou God of all grace, make us more thankful, more humble; Inspire us with a deep sense of our unworthiness arising from the depravity of our nature, our omitted duties, our unimproved advantages, your commandments violated by us. O give us repentance unto life and cement our oneness with our blessed Lord.

*Adapted from The Valley of Vision*

## Assurance of Pardon

They will say of me, "In the LORD alone are deliverance and strength." All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame. But all the descendants of Israel will find deliverance in the LORD and will make their boast in him.

*Isaiah 45:24-25*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Who has held the oceans in his hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at his voice;  
all creation rises to rejoice.

*Behold our God, seated on his throne,  
come, let us adore him.*

*Behold our King: nothing can compare,  
come, let us adore him!*

2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of his words?  
Who can teach the one who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

3. Who has felt the nails upon his hands  
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave:  
Jesus, Saviour risen now to reign!

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## Children's Talk

## Collection of Tithes & Offerings\*

## Prayer of Intercession

## Sung Confession of Faith

### What is our hope in life and death?

Christ alone, Christ alone.  
What is our only confidence?  
That our souls to him belong.  
Who holds our days within his hand?  
What comes, apart from his command?  
And what will keep us to the end?  
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*O sing hallelujah!*

*Our hope springs eternal;*

*O sing hallelujah!*

*Now and ever we confess*

*Christ, our hope in life and death*

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul?  
God is good, God is good.  
Where is his grace and goodness known?  
In our great Redeemer's blood.  
Who holds our faith when fears arise?  
Who stands above the stormy trial?  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

3. Unto the grave, what will we sing?  
'Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!'  
And what reward will heaven bring?  
Everlasting life with him.  
There we will rise to meet the Lord,  
then sin and death will be destroyed,  
and we will feast in endless joy,  
when Christ is ours for evermore.

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## Bible Reading: Acts 19:21-41

## Prayer for Understanding of God's Word

## Sermon:

**I cannot tell why He, whom angels worship,**  
should set his love upon the sons of men,  
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,  
to bring them back, they know not how nor when.  
But this I know, that he was born of Mary  
when Bethlehem's manger was his only home,  
and that He lived at Nazareth and laboured;  
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, has come.

2. I cannot tell how silently He suffered,  
as with His peace He graced this place of tears,  
or how His heart upon the cross was broken,  
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.  
But this I know, He heals the broken-hearted  
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,  
and lifts the burden from the heavy laden,  
for yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.