## The Church's one foundation

is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is His new creation
by water and the Word;
from heaven He came and sought her
to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her,
and for her life He died.

2. Elect from every nation
yet one o'er all the earth
her charter of salvation–
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses,
partakes one holy food;
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, 'How long?'
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union
with those whose rest is won,
and mystic sweet communion
with God the Three in One.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly
on high may dwell with Thee!

Samuel John Stone, 1839-1900

## Benediction

### Notices & Matters for Prayer

**Welcome** to Oxford Pres! Whether this is your first time with us or you attend regularly, we offer you a warm welcome. Please join us for refreshments downstairs following the service.
**Parents** are welcome to use our downstairs crèche where the service is livestreamed.
**Evening Worship** is at 5pm. Andy will be preaching from Mark's gospel.
**Student Study Café** is open on Monday from 10am-5pm.
**Morning Prayer** is online on Tuesday from 7:30-8am – see our weekly email for details.
**Rooted** for students meets on Tuesday from 7-9:30pm. See Jonathan for details.
**Central Prayer Meeting** is on Thursday. Arrive from 7pm for a 7:30pm start.
**Women's Retreat:** Two last-minute spaces have opened. Talk to Robin today if you're interested.
**Annual Church Dinner** is on Saturday 21st November. Sign up using the QR code below.

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# OXFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Sunday 1st November 2026, 10:30am**

## Welcome & Notices

## Call to Worship

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

Isaiah 6:1-3

## Opening Prayer

## God, my King, I will extol you,

Bless your name forevermore;
Every day, I'll sing your goodness,
Hymn the greatness of the Lord.
You are praised through generations
Of your works we'll always tell;
We will praise your matchless goodness,
Praise the God of Israel!

2. God is merciful and gracious,
Slow to anger, rich in love;
He is good to all his creatures,
Showers blessings from above.
All your works shall bless and thank you,
Tell of all your mighty deeds,
Celebrate your wondrous kingdom;
You shall reign in majesty!

3. Lord your throne will last forever,
You will reign from age to age;
You are faithful to your promise,
You are kind in all your ways;
You uphold the weak and falling,
Give your strength to weary feet;
From you hand you pour forth blessing,
Satisfy our every need.

4. God is righteous to his promise,
He is kind in all his ways;
He is near to those who seek him,
Yet the wicked casts away;
He fulfils the good desire,
Of his saints who fear his name;
Let all peoples praise his goodness
And forever sing his praise!

Psalm 145, Matt Searles | Tune: Dim Ond Iesu

## Call to Confession

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Isaiah 6:4-5

## Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." Isaiah 6:6-7

### What love could remember no wrongs we have done?

Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum;
thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.*
*Stronger than darkness, new every morn;*
*our sins they are many, his mercy is more.*

2. What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

3. What riches of kindness he lavished on us;
his blood was the payment, his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

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## Collection of Tithes and Offerings *

## Prayer of Intercession

## Installation of James Horgan as a Ruling Elder of Oxford Presbyterian Church

## Confession of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. Nicene Creed, AD 381

### O Most High, King of the ages,

Great I AM, God of wonders,
By the blood, You have redeemed us,
Led us through mighty waters,
Our strength, our song, our sure salvation.

*Now to the Lamb upon the throne,*
*Be blessing, honour, glory, power*
*For the battle You have won.*
*Hallelujah! Amen.*

2. O Most High, dwelling among us,
Son of Man, sent for sinners,
By Your blood, You have redeemed us;
Spotless Lamb, mighty Saviour
Who lived, who died, who rose victorious.

*Now to the Lamb upon the throne,*
*Be blessing, honour, glory, power*
*For the battle You have won.*
*Hallelujah!*
*With every tribe and every tongue,*
*We join the anthem of the angels*
*In the triumph of the Son.*
*Hallelujah! Amen.*

3. O Most High King of the nations,
Robed in praise, crowned with splendour;
On that day who will not tremble
When You stand Christ the Victor,
Who was and is and is forever

*Now to the Lamb …*

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## Prayer for Understanding of God's Word

## Bible Reading: Acts 20:17-38

## Sermon: What should an Elder be like?