GROOMSPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday 15th September 2024 Conducted by Rev Paul Dalzell Organist: Mr John McIlwaine

Preludes

Welcome & Announcements

Introit We love the place O God

Scripture Sentences

PRAISE 98 The King of love my shepherd is

- 1 The King of Love my shepherd is, whose goodness fails me never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine for ever.
- Where streams of living water flow a ransomed soul, He leads me; and where the fertile pastures grow, with food from heaven feeds me.
- 3 Perverse and foolish I have strayed, but in His love He sought me; and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with You, dear Lord, beside me; Your rod and staff my comfort still, Your cross before to guide me.
- 5 You spread a banquet in my sight

of love beyond all knowing; and O the gladness and delight from Your pure chalice flowing!

6 And so through all the length of days Your goodness fails me never: Good Shepherd, may I sing Your praise within Your house for ever!

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

PRAISE 552 Take my life and let it be

- 1 Take my life and let it be all You purpose, Lord, for me; consecrate my passing days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Your love; take my feet, and let them run with the news of victory won.
- 3 Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips, let them proclaim all the beauty of Your name.
- 4 Take my wealth -- all I possess, make me rich in faithfulness; take my mind that I may use every power as You shall choose.
- 5 Take my motives and my will, all Your purpose to fulfil; take my heart -- it is Your own, it shall be Your royal throne.

6 Take my love -- my Lord, I pour at Your feet its treasure-store; take myself, and I will be Yours for all eternity.

Scripture Reading Micah 6:6-8 read by Elaine Nixon-Shepherd

Anthem May the fragrance of Jesus fill this place

Scripture Reading Galatians 4:8-20

Mission Focus – Linda Norgrove Foundation by Michael Steele

Prayer of Intercession

PRAISE 120 In heavenly love abiding

- 1 In heavenly love abiding, no change my heart shall fear: and safe is such confiding, for nothing changes here: the storm may roar around me, my heart may low be laid; my Father's arms surround me, how can I be afraid?
- Wherever He may guide me no want shall turn me back; my Shepherd is beside me and nothing can I lack: His wisdom is for ever, His sight is never dim; His love deserts me never and I will walk with Him.

3 Green pastures are before me, which yet I have not seen; bright skies will shine with glory where threatening clouds have been: my hope I cannot measure, my path to life is free; my Saviour has my treasure and He will walk with me.

Sermon Attitudes

PRAISE 512 May the mind of Christ my Saviour (Girls and boys come in from Kidszone)

- 1 May the mind of Christ my Saviour live in me from day to day, by His love and power controlling all I do and say.
- 2 May the word of God enrich me in my heart, from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through His power.
- 3 May the peace of God my Father in my life for ever reign, that I may be calm to comfort those in grief and pain.
- 4 May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea, Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory!
- 5 May His beauty rest upon me as I seek to make Him known:

so that all may look to Jesus, seeing Him alone.

6 May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, looking all the while to Jesus as I onward

Offering & Prayer

Talk with the girls & boys

PRAISE 256 Talk to God

Benediction & Choral Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kidszone Rota

TODAY – Janet Wilson and Karen McCready 22nd September – Janet Wilson and Elaine Nixon Shepherd **Porch Duty Rota**

TODAY & 22nd September – Fred Lindsay and Alan Chestnutt

Rev. Paul Dalzell will be on holiday from Tuesday 17th September and will return on Thursday 3rd October. If you need pastoral care please contact the Clerk of Session.

Eagle Wing Newsletter: It is almost time for our autumn issue. **All articles should be submitted no later than TODAY.**

Contributions can be sent to Rev Paul Dalzell on eaglewing@pauldalzell.uk
or to Julie at the church office on office@groomsportpresby-terian.com.

As many as possible are encouraged to contribute, perhaps those from our church organisations or committees who might like to update the church on what is taking place.

Tai Chi Beginners Classes continue in The Hub on Monday mornings at 10.00am. An **Improvers Class** begins this Thursday 19th September at 2.30pm and runs until 24th October. Cost again is £6 per class.

The **BB** will restart tomorrow night at 7.00pm in the Walter Nelson Hall. Boys aged 5 to 11 will be very welcome to come along and join in with the fun activities and games.

The **Leisure Group** continues this Tuesday at <u>7.15pm.</u> Old and new members will be made very welcome.

<u>Wednesday</u> Private Prayer:- Our church is open for private prayer and quiet reflection every Wednesday morning. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact our minister Rev. Paul Dalzell or leave a message with our church secretary. Up-to-date contact details are on our website or in the latest edition of the Eagle Wing newsletter. Contact numbers for Elders or their Assistants are in the Church Directory.

Storehouse:- Gifts for Storehouse can be left in to the church on Wednesday morning (10 - 12 noon) or before Sunday Worship. There is a specific need at present for the following items: tinned meats, meals, snacks, and tomatoes. Tomato ketchup and brown sauce, jam, Fray Bentos pies, long life milk, toothpaste, size 7 nappies, biscuits, and long life bags. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

'Wednesday Welcome':- The Hub is open every Wednesday morning from 10:30 to 12 noon. Anyone is welcome to call in for a cup of coffee/tea and light refreshments. This is a chance to make new friends or just relax with a book or newspaper. A warm welcome is assured.

The Badminton Club starts up again this Wednesday 18th September at 10.00am. New and existing members are very welcome.

Bowling Club for 2024/25 season recommences this Wednesday 18th September in Walter Nelson Hall at 7.15pm. Old & new members will be made very welcome.

Something New! Hobby Hub continues this Thursday, 2-4pm in the Hub. This is an opportunity for fun and fellowship while sharing interests and skills in a safe and relaxed setting. Numbers were small last week, so we would be grateful if you could lend your support. Feel free to invite family and friends to join us. We pray this new venture will evolve and grow in the coming months.

Choir Practices continue this Thursday evening.

Men's Event – this Friday 20th September 10:30 am – Tools for Solidarity

Please bring your tools this week for collection, but feel free to come to this event whether or not you have tools to give. Refreshments will be available, and it will also be an opportunity to plan our future events. We look forward to seeing you then.

Summer Coffee Morning: Our summer coffee mornings are continuing to be held in The Hub every Saturday morning from 10:30 - 12 noon.

Come and enjoy tea/coffee and scones and bring your friends! Specialty coffees are also available from our new dispensing machine in the foyer.

A Right Royal Afternoon Tea – Hosted by the Mission Committee in the Archie Agnew Room on Saturday 19th

October at 2:30 p.m. Guest Speaker – Rev. Derek Kerr. Please come along and support this event which should be a fun day. Rev Derek Kerr is a renowned royal enthusiast and entertaining speaker. Proceeds will be in aid of 'Open Doors' supporting persecuted Christians around the world. Tickets available from members of the mission committee or church office - Price £10. If anyone has a spare cake stand that we could borrow for the day, please let us know. Thank you.

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