

**GROOMSPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025 at 11am**  
**Conducted by Rev. Denis Campbell**  
**Organist: Mr Ivan Millen**

Welcome & Announcements

Introit Lord Jesus, when your people meet

Scripture Sentences

**PRAISE Psalm 84 verses 1-5 How lovely is they dwelling place**

1. How lovely is thy dwelling-place,  
O lord of hosts, to me!  
The tabernacles of thy grace  
how pleasant, Lord, they be!
2. My thirsty soul longs veh'mently,  
yea faints, they courts to see;  
my very heart and flesh cry out,  
O living God, for thee.
3. Behold, the sparrow findeth out  
an house wherein to rest;  
the swallow also for herself  
provided hath a nest;  
  
even thine own altars, where she safe  
her young ones forth may bring,  
O thou almighty Lord of hosts,  
Who art my God and King
4. blest are they in thy house that dwell,  
they ever give thee praise.
5. blest is the man whose strength thou art,  
In whose heart are they ways:

## Prayer & Lord's Prayer

### **PRAISE 509 Love divine, all loves excelling**

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down:  
fix in us Your humble dwelling,  
all Your faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, You are all compassion,  
boundless love that makes us whole;  
visit us with Your salvation,  
enter every trembling soul.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all Your grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore Your temples leave:  
You we would be always blessing,  
serve You as Your hosts above,  
pray and praise You without ceasing,  
glory in Your perfect love.
- 3 Finish then Your new creation,  
pure and sinless let us be;  
let us see Your great salvation  
perfect in eternity:  
changed from glory into glory  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we lay our crowns before You,

Scripture Reading      2 Corinthians 5:6-17 read by Dr Michael Steele

Anthem      Thuma mina

Scripture Reading      Mark 8:27-33 read by Mrs June Kirk

Intercessory Prayer

## **PRAISE 641 Tell all the world of Jesus**

- 1 Tell all the world of Jesus,  
our Saviour, Lord and King;  
and let the whole creation  
of His salvation sing:  
proclaim His glorious greatness  
in nature and in grace;  
Creator and Redeemer,  
the Lord of time and space.
- 2 Tell all the world of Jesus,  
that everyone may find  
the joy of His forgiveness --  
true peace of heart and mind:  
proclaim His perfect goodness,  
His deep, unfailing care;  
His love so rich in mercy,  
a love beyond compare.
- 3 Tell all the world of Jesus,  
that everyone may know  
of His almighty triumph  
defeating every foe:  
proclaim His coming glory,  
when sin is overthrown,  
and He shall reign in splendour --  
the King upon His throne!

**SERMON**      A deep knowledge of Christ

## **PRAISE 207 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds** *(Girls and boys come in from Kidszone)*

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
in a believer's ear!  
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds  
and drives away our fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
and calms the troubled breast;

it satisfies the hungry soul,  
and gives the weary rest.

- 3 Dear Name, the rock on which I build,  
my shield and hiding-place;  
my never-failing treasury, filled  
with boundless stores of grace!
- 4 Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend,  
my prophet, priest, and king;  
my Lord, my life, my way, my end --  
accept the praise I bring.
- 5 Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought;  
but when I see You as You are,  
I'll praise You as I ought.
- 6 Till then I would Your love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of Your name  
refresh my soul in death.

Offering & Prayer

Talk with the girls & boys

Prayer

### **PRAISE 505 Jesus, Friend of all the children**

- 1 Jesus, Friend of all the children,  
be my friend and guide.  
Take my hand and ever keep me  
at Your side.
- 2 Teach me how to grow in goodness  
daily as I grow;  
You have been a child, and surely  
You will know.

3 Do not leave me or forsake me,  
ever be my friend;  
for I need You from life's dawning  
to its end.

Benediction & Choral Amen

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Kidszone Rota**

TODAY – Sharon Goldie and Audrey Thomas  
8<sup>TH</sup> June – Children's Day

### **Porch Duty Rota**

TODAY – Chris Thompson and Lynda Walsh  
8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June – Ian and Anne McDonald

The **church office** will be closed this Tuesday, but will be open on **Wednesday and Friday** as normal. Thank you.

**Rev. Dalzell is presently on holiday** and will be back on Saturday 7th June. If you need a minister, please contact our Clerk of Session, Dr Michael Steele, or our Pastoral Assistant, Rev. Denis Campbell.

**Summer Youth Nights: The next meeting is this evening at 7:30pm** in the Maxwell Parish Hall. Tonight is entitled a 'Summer Extreme Quiz ....with hot chocolate!!'. **This is open to all children aged 11 - 18 and any friends are invited.**

**Pickleball** continues on a Monday evening at **7.30pm**, in the Walter Nelson Hall.

**Tuesday Club:** All those who intend going on our outing this Tuesday, please be at the Maxwell hall for 12.45pm. I will not be there as I am still in hospital after surgery so I hope you have a good day out. Mary

The **Leisure Group** summer walks commence this Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, meeting outside the Walter Nelson Hall at **7.00pm sharp**. New and existing members are most welcome.

### **Wednesday**

The Church building is open for **private prayer** 10.00am – Noon.  
Gifts for **Storehouse** can be left 10.00am – Noon.

**There is a new list in the trolley of items which there is currently a real need for.** Supplies can be left in the trolley in the foyer either on Wednesday morning or before the Sunday service.  
Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.

**'Wednesday Welcome'** The Hub is open as usual every Wednesday morning from 10:30 - 12 noon. It has been lovely to see members of our congregation and visitors coming each week for a time of fun and fellowship together.

If you haven't been recently or never attended, please come along to enjoy tea/filter coffee and scones at this beautiful venue. Spread the word and invite your friends and neighbours. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome! Thank you.

**Saturday Coffee Mornings** continue this Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June.  
The hosts are Sharon Goldie and Audrey Thomas, and everyone is very welcome.

**Children's Day Service:** Next Sunday (8<sup>th</sup> June) will be our Children's Day service. Please show your support by coming to this special service which will be led by our children and the Kidszone leaders. A special thank you to all our Kidszone leaders who have dedicated themselves throughout the year to this important ministry within our church. Dr Michael Steele.

There will be a **Coffee Morning** on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, **10.00 – 12.00** in aid of Friends of the Cancer Centre. Please do go along and show your support for this very worthwhile cause. Everyone welcome.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Please note the Kirk Session has agreed, as part of our **safeguarding policy**, that in all public services of worship no photographs or videos may be taken without prior permission being sought and received from the Kirk Session.