

Order of Service for Hinckley United Reformed Church

Sunday 22nd February 2026 @ 10:45am

Steve Ward

Notices – Church Elder

Opening Devotions

Hymn – **160 Forty days and forty nights**

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Thou wast fasting in the wild;

forty days and forty nights

tempted and yet undefiled.

Sunbeams scorching all the day,
chilly dew-drops nightly shed,
prowling beasts about Thy way,
stones Thy pillow, earth Thy bed.

Let us Thy endurance share
and from earthly greed abstain,
with Thee watching unto prayer,
with Thee strong to suffer pain.

Then if evil on us press,
flesh or spirit to assail,
victor in the wilderness,
may we never faint or fail!

So shall peace divine be ours;
holier gladness ours shall be;
come to us angelic powers,
such as ministered to Thee.

Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving

Hymn – **288 I need Thee every hour**

I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord:
no tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee, O I need Thee! every hour I need Thee;

O bless me now, my Saviour! I come to Thee.

I need Thee every hour, stay Thou near by;
temptations lose their power when Thou art nigh.

I need Thee . . .

I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide, or life is vain.

I need Thee . . .

I need Thee every hour, teach me Thy will;
and Thy rich promises in me fulfil.

I need Thee . . .

I need Thee every hour, most Holy One;

O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son!
I need Thee . . .

Bible Reading – Psalm 32

Hymn – **1164 Come, O fount of every blessing**

Come, Thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious measure
Sung by flaming tongues above;
O the vast, the boundless treasure
Of my Lord's unchanging love!

Here I find my greatest treasure:
'Hither by Thy help I've come',
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Take my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it from Thy courts above!

Prayers for others

Offertory & Prayer

Hymn – **41 At the Name of Jesus**

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess Him King of glory now.
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Mighty and mysterious in the highest height,
God from everlasting, very Light of light.
In the Father's bosom, with the Spirits blest,
love, in love eternal, rest, in perfect rest.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom He came;
faithfully He bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious, when from death He passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures, to the central height;
to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast,
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown Him as your captain in temptation's hour,
let His will enfold you in its light and power.

Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with His Father's glory, with His angel-train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow,
and our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

Address – (including bible reading: Matthew 4: 1 – 11 – Church Elder)

Hymn – 625 Take time to be holy

Take time to be holy, speak oft with Thy Lord;
abide in Him always, and feed on His word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak;
forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
spend much time in secret with Jesus
alone by looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be!
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be thy guide;
and run not before Him, whatever betide;
in joy or in sorrow still follow thy Lord,
and, looking to Jesus, still trust in His word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;
each thought and each temper beneath His control;
thus led by His Spirit to fountains of love,
thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

Benediction & Grace

Toccata on Hymn Tune
'Aus der Tiefe' (Forty Days and Forty Nights)
By Christopher Tambling