

Order of Service for Hinckley United Reformed Church

Sunday 23rd August 2026 @ 10:45am

Steve Ward

Notices – Church Elder

Opening Devotions

Hymn – **1105 See, what a morning, gloriously bright**

**See what a morning,
 gloriously bright,
with the dawning of hope
 in Jerusalem;**

**Folded the grave clothes,
 tomb filled with light,
as the angels announce
 ‘Christ is risen!’**

**See God’s salvation plan,
 wrought in love,
 borne in pain,
 paid in sacrifice,
fulfilled in Christ, the man,
for He lives,
 Christ is risen from the dead.**

**See Mary weeping,
 “Where is He laid?”
As in sorrow she turns
 from the empty tomb.**

**Hears a voice speaking,
 Calling her name;
It’s the Master, the Lord,
 raised to life again!**

**The voice that spans the years,
 speaking life,
 stirring hope,
 bringing peace to us,
will sound ‘til He appears,
for He lives,
 Christ is risen from the dead.**

**One with the Father,
 Ancient of days,
through the Spirit who
 clothes faith with certainty.
Honour and blessing,
 glory and praise**

to the King crowned
with pow'r and authority.

And we are raised with Him;
Death is dead,
love has won,
Christ has conquered.

And we shall reign with Him,
for He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead.

Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving –

Hymn – 835 Great is the darkness that covers the earth

Great is the darkness that covers the earth,
Oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
though many have come in your name.
Watching while sanity dies,
Touched by the madness and lies.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

May now your church rise with power and love,
This glorious gospel proclaim.
In ev'ry nation salvation will come
To those who believe in your name.
Help us bring light to this world
That we might speed your return.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

Great celebrations on that final day
When out of the heavens you come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
And rulers will bow at your throne.
Our great commission complete,
Then face to face we shall meet.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out your Spirit on us today

Bible Reading – **Psalm 138**

Hymn – 1024 All my days I will sing this song of gladness

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,
give my praise to the Fountain of delights;
for in my helplessness you heard my cry,
and waves of mercy poured down on my life.

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer,
I will sing of the blood that never fails,
of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,
of death defeated and life without end.

(Chorus)

*Beautiful Saviour, Wonderful Counsellor,
clothed in majesty, Lord of history,
You're the Way, the Truth, the Life.*

*Star of the morning, glorious in holiness,
You're the Risen One, heaven's Champion,
and You reign, You reign over all!*

I long to be where the praise is never ending,
yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
where countless worshippers will share one song,
and cries of "worthy" will honour the lamb!

(Chorus)

Prayers for others – Church Elder

Offertory & Prayer

Presentation to Paul & Kate

Hymn – 37 As the deer pants for the water

As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.

*(Chorus) You alone are my strength, my shield,
to You alone may my spirit yield.*

*You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver,
only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.

(Chorus)

You're my Friend and You're my Brother,
even though You are a king.
I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything.

(Chorus)

Bible Reading - **John 14: 25 - 31**

Address –

Hymn – **456 Make me a channel of Your peace**

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring Your love;
Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

(Chorus)

*Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

(Chorus)

Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

In giving to all men that we receive;
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

(Chorus)

Benediction & Grace

Exit Music: Toccata from Symphony no 5 by C-M Widor