HINCKLEY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday 18 October 2026

Order of Service: Lead by Hinckley URC Worship Team

Welcome / Notices Duty Elder

Introduction & Call to Worship Psalm 122 NRSV (Responsive)

A Song of Ascents. Of David.

1 I was glad when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’
2 Our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem—built as a city
that is bound firmly together.
4 To it the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord,
as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
5 For there the thrones for judgement were set up,
the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
‘May they prosper who love you.
7 Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers.’
8 For the sake of my relatives and friends
I will say, ‘Peace be within you.’
9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.

Hymn: MP 529 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore Him, the Lord is His name.

Low at His feet lay thy burden of carefulness,
high on His heart He will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness:

these are the offerings to lay on His shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

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bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore Him, the Lord is His name.

Prayer

Songs: MP 1040 Come, now is the time to worship

Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come, just as you are before your God.
Come.

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God.
One day ev'ry knee will bow.
Still the greatest treasure remains
for those who gladly choose You now.
(Repeats from beginning)

MP 1227 The splendour of the King

The splendour of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice,
and trembles at His voice

(Chorus) How great is our God!
Sing with me
How great is our God! And all will see
How great, how great is our God!

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End
The Godhead, three in one
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb,
the Lion and the Lamb

(Chorus)

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God!
(repeat)

(Chorus)

Reading: Acts 2: 42-47

Reading: Luke 1:46-46

Offertory, prayer and LyCiG Prayer for Growth

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give -
Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, Joy to our worship and Power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Hymn: O God beyond all praising

O God beyond all praising,
We worship You today,
And sing the love amazing
That songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder
At every gift you send,

At blessings without number
And mercies without end:

We lift our hearts before You
And wait upon Your word,
We honour and adore You,
Our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour,
Accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favour
May serve You as our King;
And whether our tomorrows
Be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows
And rise to bless You still: …

To marvel at Your beauty
And glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty
Our sacrifice of praise!

Dialogue

Hymn: R&S 435 Let us talents and tongues employ

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again.
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one,
at His table, He sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express.

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again.
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus calls us in, sends us out,
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) everywhere!

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again.
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Communion including the Lord’s Prayer (sung)

Prayers of Intercession (from Church of Scotland?)

Hymn: MP 689 Thine be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is nought without Thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through Thy deathless love:
bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Benediction / Grace Crawford

Exit music: Pièce d’Orgue by JS Bach