Hinckley United Reform Church

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Welcome and Call to worship

Song: Joy to the world

Joy to the world, the Lord has come!
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare Him room
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns!
your sweetest songs employ
while fields and streams and hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness,
the wonders of His love,
the wonders of His love,
the wonders, wonders of His love.

Sharing the joy

Song: Love divine, all loves excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down:
fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
all Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in Thee inherit,
let us find Thy promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more Thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation:
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see Thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in Thee:

Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before Thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Prayer

Song: 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)

Readings – Galatians 5:13-26

Talk

Song: Led like a lamb to the slaughter

Led like a lamb to the slaughter, in silence and shame,
there on Your back You carried a world of violence and pain.
Bleeding, dying, bleeding, dying……

(Chorus) You're alive, You're alive ,
You have risen! Alleluia!
And the power and the glory is given, Alleluia!
Jesus, to You.

At break of dawn, poor Mary, still weeping she came,
when through her grief she heard Your voice, now speaking her name.
Mary! Master! Mary! Master! ….. (*Chorus)*

At the right hand of the Father, now seated on high,
You have begun Your eternal reign of justice and joy.
Glory, glory, glory, glory. . . .*(Chorus)*

Prayers and offering

Song: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.

`Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;

`Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

Blessing

Exit Music: Saiints on a Spree by Nigel Ogden