

# **ORDER OF SERVICE: ST ANDREWS**

**22 October 2023**

**Because we bear your name**



**Welcome & Time of Sharing**

**Call to Worship:**

Celebrate God's love, which has been poured into your life!

**In God we live and move and have our being.**

Reach out and care for those around you.

**We reach out to others with the same kind of love  
with which God has touched our lives.**

Come, let us worship the God who is always with us.

**Let us praise God who walks daily by our side.**

**SONG: Welcome (Tune TIS 462 Regent Square)**

1 We are thankful for a greeting  
And a welcome we all prize;  
We are here for celebration,  
Searching for what satisfies;  
With a welcome as we gather  
We can feel our spirits rise.

2 'Welcome' is the way of Jesus;  
'Welcome' is his promised word;  
Welcome is for saints and sinner;  
All are welcome; all have erred;  
Jesus speaks his word of welcome -  
We respond for we have heard.

3 We all join in affirmation  
Of the love of God we know;  
Like the vastness of an ocean  
Love is here in constant flow;  
I am welcome; you are welcome;  
Jesus says, "Let it be so."

(Adapt. George Stuart)

**PRAYER**

Introduction to the Reading

**READING:** Matthew 22:15-22

**TiS 161 Tell out my soul.**

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;

tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!

Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;

his mercy sure, from age to age the same;

his holy name - the Lord, the Mighty One.

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!

Powers and dominions lay their glory by.

Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!

Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!

**REFLECTION****SONG Be still for the presence of the Lord**

1 Be still for the presence of the Lord

The Holy one is here

Come bow before him now

In reverence and fear

In Him no sin is found

We stand on Holy ground

Be still for the presence of the Lord

The Holy one is here.

2 Be still for the glory of the Lord

Is shining all around

He burns with Holy fire

With splendour He is crowned

How awesome is the sight,

Our radiant King of light

Be still for the glory of the Lord.

Is shining all around.

3 Be still for the power of the Lord  
 Is moving in this place  
 He comes to cleanse and heal  
 To minister His grace  
 No work too hard for Him  
 In faith receive from Him  
 Be still for the power of the Lord  
 Is moving in this place.

Song by David J. Evans

## **PRAYERS FOR OTHERS**

Response: **SONG: Be still and know that I am God**

1 Be still and know that I am God  
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 Be still and know that I am God

Song by Richard M S Irwin

***Our Father in heaven,  
 hallowed be your name.  
 Your kingdom come,  
 your will be done,  
 on earth as in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread  
 forgive us our sins  
 as we forgive those who sin against us.  
 Save us from the time of trial,  
 and deliver us from evil.  
 For the kingdom, the power  
 and the glory are yours,  
 Now an forever.  
 Amen.***

**Thanksgiving Prayer**

**TIS 686 Lord Jesus we belong to you.**

1 Lord Jesus, we belong to you,  
you live in us, we live in you;  
we live and work for you  
because we bear your name.

4 Let us acknowledge those as friends  
who use your name to right a wrong,  
but have not joined us yet  
because we bear your name.

2 Help us receive each other, Lord,  
for you receive the least of us  
and come to us in them  
because we bear your name.

5 Let nothing that we do or say  
offend the weak so that they fall  
and lose their faith in you  
because we bear your name.

3 Bless those who give us any gift  
because they know that we are yours;  
reward them with your grace  
because we bear your name.

6 Keep us from missing out on life;  
give hands that help, and single sight,  
and feet that walk your way  
because we bear your name.

7 You are the salt that cleanses us,  
so clean us out, and make us fit  
for common life with you  
because we bear your name.

**Blessing:**

Go out into the world in peace, and in Christ's name be –  
the humble who make others proud  
the poor who have riches to share  
the weak who help others be strong  
the empty who overflow with loving kindness.  
And the vastness of the love of God,  
and the treasure of the grace of Christ Jesus,  
and the buoyant health of the Holy Spirit  
will be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

**Amen.**

*[You are invited to light a candle as you leave the sanctuary.]*

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**PREACHER FOR NEXT WEEK: Rev Carol Chambers**