ORDER OF SERVICE: ST ANDREWS 5 November 2023

WELCOME/INTRODUCTION:

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYERS OF PRAISE

Lord, you are our God. We want to realise more deeply how much we depend on you.

You have not only given us life; you have caused us to be able to think about its meaning and to make choices, and to work for what is good. We have known your hand holding us firm,

We have known your steps marking out the way for us;

And yet we long to know you more and more.

Your presence transforms even the darker times;

For with you we need not be afraid

... for nothing can separate us from your love.

Draw from us our God such an answering love

That our presence may bring hope and peace to others

...and even new life to our very selves.

In your name we pray this prayer. Amen.

SONG: TIS 143 Immortal, invisible, God only wise...

 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the An- cient of Days, almighty, victorious, your great name we praise. 	 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might; your justice like mountains high soaring above, your clouds which are fountains of good-
we praise.	ness and love.

3 You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small, in all life now living, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree, then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, your angels adore you, all veiling their sight; of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

5 All praise we would render: reveal to our sight what hides you is only the splendour of light; and so let your glory, Almighty, impart, through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

SHARING: ABOUT A BUCKET.....

SONG: P&W 467 It's such good news that Jesus loves me It's such good news that Jesus loves me. He came and died that we might live My heart rejoices, I'm singing glory! It's such good news that Jesus lives. X2

BIBLE READINGS: Ephesians 1:3-14

MESSAGE: Who are we....really....?

SONG: SinS 390 Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus, To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus. X2

HOLY COMMUNION

SOLO: Paul: On Eagles' Wings

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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

THANKSGIVING PRAYER FOR OFFERING

SONG: P&W 835 I am carried...Song by Geoff Bullock

Day by day and hour by hour
 Your love for me from Heaven flows
 Like streams of water in the desert
 Living waters flow
 You walk beside me gently guiding
 Leading me through every storm
 Everlasting, never changing
 Grace and love divine

 Mercy's healing, grace relieving Every spot and every stain
 Forgiven freely, no more guilty
 Love has conquered shame
 The broken mended, night has ended
 The lost and lonely lost no more
 For I am carried in the arms
 Of grace and love divine Chorus: I am carried in the arms Of grace and love divine I am held by hands of healing Washed by waters pure Lifting up my heavy heart Held in grace scarred hands I am carried in the arms Of grace and love divine

Never worthy, never earning
 All my works now left behind
 Ever onwards, ever upwards
 You've called me on to rise
 Above my darkness, all my failure
 Every fear and every pain
 Always carried always covered
 By grace and love divine

Chorus:

BLESSING:

Thankyou for having me over this past year. I pray for all of you as you move forward in love...together....big blessings and love from Carol

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

PREACHER FOR NEXT WEEK: Rev Graham Sturdy.