# Order of Service

#### **Introduction and Opening Prayers**

**All:** **Merciful Father, hear our prayers and comfort us; renew our trust in your Son, whom you raised from the dead; strengthen our faith that all who have died in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**  **Amen**

**Hymn:****Morning has broken** like the first morning,

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird,

Praise for the singing. Praise for the morning.

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,

Like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,

Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight. Mine is the morning

Born of the one light Eden saw play.

Praise with elation, praise every morning,

God’s re-creation of the new day.

**The Scriptural Reading:** *Revelation 21*. 1-6

**The Eulogy**

**Hymn: All things bright and beautiful,** all creatures great and small,

all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,

he made their glowing colours, he made their tiny wings:

The purple headed mountain, the river running by,

the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky:

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,

the ripe fruit in the garden, he made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

how great is God almighty, who has made all things well:

**The Prayers and Lord’s Prayer:**

*After “Lord, in your mercy”, please respond by saying: “****Hear our prayer”***

**Hymn: O Lord my God!** When I in awesome wonder

Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,

I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,

Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,*

*How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander

And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;

When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,

And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; *Then sings...*

And when I think that God his Son not sparing,

Sent Him to die - I scarce can take it in;

That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin: *Then sings...*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation

And take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!

Then shall I bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim my God, how great Thou art! *Then sings ...*

**The Commendation and Blessing:** *(please stand)*

**All: Heavenly Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, that we may live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Recessional music:* *Penny Arcade* by Sammy King