



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 11th October 2026

MORNING WORSHIP

led by The Revd Ian Green and The Revd Erna Stevenson

Organist: Pre-recordings by our organists

If you are able please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk ()*

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

* **Hymn 293:** Ye servants of God

During which the bible is placed on the Communion Table

Opening Responses:

Minister: We have come together to worship God,
All: we gather to offer our praises and prayers.
Minister: We have come to listen out for God's Word,
**All: spoken to us in bible and sermon,
in silence and in fellowship.**
Minister: O Lord, open our lips,
All: and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.
Minister: The Lord be with you
All: And also with you.

Opening Praise, Confession and Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Notices

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Week of Guided Prayer 21st-29th Nov 2026 Interview with Ruth

***Hymn:** Lord, the light of your love is shining
1. Lord, the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of darkness shining
Jesus, light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Fathers glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word
Lord, and let there be light

2. Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me
Refrain

3. As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me, shine on me
Refrain

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Introduction to the Theme

Readings: Psalm 23 O.T. p.436
Matthew 22.1-14 N.T. p.20
Today's reader is David Watson

***Hymn 552:** The King of love my shepherd is

Sermon: A God of Invitation and Feasting
Followed by silent reflection

OUR RESPONSE

***Hymn 349:** I heard the voice of Jesus say

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

***Presentation of the Offering**

Each week we make our gifts in a variety of ways, by placing cash or envelopes in the baskets as we enter or exit church or through direct bank giving. All these offerings are dedicated now as we sing:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below,
praise him above, ye heavenly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

*** Hymn:** We have a gospel to proclaim *Tune: Fulda R&S 606*

**1. We have a gospel to proclaim
Good news for all throughout the earth;
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.**

**2 Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**3. Tell of His death at Calvary,
Hated by those He came to save;
In lonely suffering on the cross
For all He loved His life He gave.**

**4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
Empty the tomb, for He was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share His victory.**

**5. Tell of His reign at God's right hand,
By all creation glorified;
He sends His Spirit on His Church
To live for Him, the Lamb who died.**

**6. Now we rejoice to name Him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.**

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Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen

Sunday Lunch will be served in the Church Hall after the service

Go in peace