



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 29th June 2025

MORNING WORSHIP

led by The Revd Ian Green and The Revd Carolyn Croisdale Appleby

Organist: Laurence Beard

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

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

***Hymn 104: Praise my soul**

During which the bible is placed in the pulpit

Opening Responses

Minister: We gather as the people of God
in the presence of our Loving Father

**All: We gather as fellow pilgrims
in the presence of the Living Christ**

Minister: We gather as seekers after truth
in the presence of God the Spirit

All: Who enlightens and comforts us.

Minister: The Lord is my light and my salvation;

All: the Lord is the stronghold of my life.

Minister: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Prayers of Adoration and confession

The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Notices and Introduction to the Theme

***Hymn: The Lord's my shepherd**

**I The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want:
he makes me lie in pastures green,
he leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.**

***And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.***

**2 He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil;
And my cup – it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.**

**3 And though I walk the darkest path –
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.**

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WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Responsive Psalm 16 *set for today - a selection of verses*

Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge;
The Lord himself is my portion and my cup.

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel,
and in the night watches he instructs my heart.
**I have set the Lord always before me;
he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.**

Wherefore my heart is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
For you will not abandon my soul.

You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is the fullness of joy.
**Glory be to you, our God,
Creator, Saviour and Spirit. Amen**

Readings: I Kings 19.15-16, 19-21 O.T. p301
Luke 9.51-62 N.T. p.59
This morning's reader is Jo Smith

***Hymn:** God forgave my sin in Jesus' name

**1. God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.
I've been born again in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his love as he told me to.**

Chorus:

***He said 'Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe
others will know that I live.***

**2. All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name
in earth and heav'n in Jesus name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his pow'r as he told me to.**

Chorus

**3. God gives us life in Jesus' name
he lives in us in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his peace as he told me to.**

Chorus

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Sermon: Transition

Followed by Silent Reflection Sermon notes are available as you leave and on the website.

OUR RESPONSE

***Hymn 364:** Just as I am

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 509:** O Jesus I have promised

***Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen**

Sunday Lunch is served in the Church Hall after the service - all welcome!

