



# Order of Service

## 10 am



20<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Worship led by  
Rev Dr André Groenewald

Musician  
Martin Petty

### Gathering of God's People

Time when we greet one another and prepare for worship.  
Those who are able please stand for the entry of the Bible.  
Words of welcome and announcements.

### Worshipping God Together

#### Call to worship

Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face shine upon us, *Selah*,

**All: that your ways may be known on earth,**

**your salvation among all nations.**

Beloved I greet you in the Name of God the Father, the  
Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

**MP 315                      I will sing the wondrous story.**

### **Opening Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

**ALL:**        Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy  
                  name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on  
                  earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily  
                  bread; And forgive us our debts as we forgive our  
                  debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but  
                  deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the  
                  power, and the glory for ever.    Amen.

**Choir sings SGP 2 "A new commandment that I give to you"  
by N Warren**

### **Reflecting on God's Word**

Reading:        Matthew 15:21-28.

Reader:         Margaret Forsyth.

Background to the reading.

**CH4 557                      O love that wilt not let me go.**

Sermon

**Responding to God's Word**

Prayer of dedication: Annabelle McCunn.

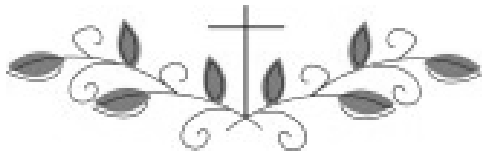
**CH4 476**

**Mine eyes have seen the glory.**

Blessing

**Sung Amen. Amen, Amen**

Please remain standing as The Bible is removed.



*You are invited to stay for tea and coffee which  
are served in the hall.*

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the ministry and mission of the Church.

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the Treasurer after the Service.

**Please remember the Evening service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of  
September 2023 at 6:30 pm in St Joseph's Hall. A light  
supper will be served with coffee, juice or tea.**

**A prayer of praise and thanksgiving**

Almighty God, from ancient times you have reminded your  
people to listen to the cries of those excluded or marginalised;

and through Jesus you have expanded your people Israel to  
include us, with an invitation to all the world.

Thank you for your generous and caring nature. Help us to  
mirror it in our lives and actions, as we hear with your ears, see  
with your eyes, and love with your heart.

We praise you for your arms outstretched to save the lost, to  
include the excluded, to raise those the world despises. You are  
God of the outcast and stranger, welcoming all, making friends  
of foes.

Amen.