



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 10th June 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

led by The Revd Anne Sardeson

Organist: Graham Nash

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

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

* **Hymn 35:** God is unique and one

During which the bible is taken to the pulpit

Opening Responses

Leader: The earth, and all its weary people, belong to God!

All: Everything is yours: Giver of Life!

Leader: We long for justice, for peace, for grace:

All: Hear our prayer: Maker of Truth!

Leader: We seek your hope:

All: Receive us now: Way of Wisdom

Leader: The Lord be with you,

All: and also with you.

Opening Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer *back cover of hymn book*

Welcome and Notices

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

All Age Talk: Once upon an ordinary day

*** Hymn:** Open your ears

**Open your ears to hear what you hear,
The song of the angels is really quite clear,
it rings in the air, in the words and the care
and the voices that never give up.....**

**Open your eyes to see what you see
the child in the manger is setting us free.
Turning the table, when the world is not able
to welcome the strange and the new.**

**Open your mind to think some new thoughts,
beyond all the 'norms', the 'shoulds' and the 'oughts'.
Imagine and wonder: some things are beyond you,
and dreaming is always OK!**

**Open your life and live what it true,
God is right here, and plays music for you!
Imagine you're living the life God is giving,
the gift of extraordinary times!**

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Prayer of Blessing for Junior Church *remain standing*

*Children and young people leave for their Junior Church groups.
Babies and toddlers are welcome in The Crèche.*

Readings: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 N.T. 159
Mark 3: 20-35 N.T.31
Reader: In this is the word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**
This morning's reader is Chris Dawson

* **Hymn 497:** Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart

Sermon: 'An Unsettling Gospel'

Sermon notes are available as you leave and on the church website

OUR RESPONSE

Silent Reflection

* **Hymn 548:** Nothing distress you

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Offering and * Prayer of dedication *remaining standing for*

***Hymn 200:** The kingdom of God

Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen *All Standing*

Join us for coffee, tea or a cold drink in the Alfred Ellis Hall where the Fairtrade stall is open.

