



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 12th May 2019 Easter 4

MORNING WORSHIP

led by The Revd Ian Green

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 39:** Call creatures of our God and King *omit verses 5 and 6
ring which the bible is taken to the pulpit*

Opening Responses

Minister: Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world.

**All: Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but have the light of life'.**

Minister: Lord of all light,

**All: Shine your light into our lives today,
that we may walk in your light.**

Minister: 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

***Hymn:** God is our strength and refuge

Richard Bewes Psalm 46 CCL 257120

**God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

**There is a flowing river,
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her -
she shall not be moved!
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence -
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

**Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear!
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations -
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

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.

Reading: Revelation 7.9 -8.1 N.T. p 223

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

This morning's reader is Jamie Brazier

* **Hymn:** The word of God is like a lamp *Tune St Columba R&S 635*

**1. The word of God is like a lamp
which scatters light around,
revealing truth, rekindling youth,
defining holy ground.**



**2. The word of God is like a sword
which pierces to the core,
disabling lies, dispelling sighs,
to bless and never bore.**

**3. The word of God is like a chest
which brims with precious gold,
enriching all who heed God's call
with wisdom, new and old.**

**4. So, let us praise our gracious God
who gave the world this word;
and let our minds be sealed and signed
by Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

John Bell and Graham Maule CCL257120

Reading: John 10.22-30 N.T. p.89
Reader: In this is the word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

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

OUR RESPONSE

Silent Reflection

* **Hymn 66:** My God I thank thee

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession *led by Hazel Richardson*

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

Hymn: We have a gospel to proclaim *Tune: Fulda*

**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.**

Rev. Edward Burns (b.1938) CCL257120

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.