

**Led by Rev Stuart Smith** 

You are invited if you wish:

to add the name(s) of those you have come to remember to our Book of Remembrance, to be read out during our service today;

to take a candle to light during the service in memory of those you have loved and lost.

The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

(Psalm 34.18)

Be strong and courageous.

Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged,
for the Lord your God will be with you
wherever you go.

(Joshua 1.9)

We hope you will join us for tea and coffee in the hall after the service.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

## Welcome

**Call to Worship:** (Ecclesiastes 3.9-11)

(Leader) What do workers gain from their toil?

I have seen the burden God has laid upon us.

(A|I) He has made everything beautiful in its time.

He has also set eternity in our hearts.

(Leader) No-one can fathom what God has done

from beginning to end.

Hymn 268 'O God of Bethel'

**Opening Prayer** 

Anthem 'God be in my head' Walford Davies

Bible Reading Luke 1.46-55 (NT p74) Lilian Gilbert

Reflection

Hymn 334 'On Jordan's bank'

Remembering:

Music for Reflection with Lighting of Candles Reading of names

## **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

(All say)

We remember those who lived long and rich lives.

We remember those who died before they were born, at birth, or soon after.

We remember those whose deaths came too soon, or too suddenly.

We remember those who died peacefully

and those who died in difficult circumstances, and those who sacrificed themselves in war and peace,

for the good of others.

We remember that all our times are in your hands.

We offer all our memories to you, Lord.

Hymn 526 'This is the day of new beginnings'

(Tune: St Clement – 220)

**Benediction** 

Sung Blessing (Choir) 'Go now in peace' Don Besig