

## SERVICE OUTLINE

Song lyrics appear on the screen. Paper copies are available.

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Ed Pennington

**SONGS** Come behold the wondrous mystery  
[Time of confession]  
Bless the Lord, O my soul

### PRAYERS

Sheila Turner

### CHILDREN'S SLOT

Jonny Evans & Ben Moon

**SONG** Our God is a great big God

5-11s leave for children's church in the scout hut (they will be brought back to the hall after the service). There are also separate crèches / groups for 0-4s in the hall.

### BIBLE READING

Sarah Salter

2 Samuel 23:1-7 p.330  
(*Chinese Bibles p.261*)

### SERMON

Extended sermon notes in simple English are available on the welcome desk for anyone who would find them helpful.

**SONG** There is a hope

### HOLY COMMUNION

See separate sheet

**SONG** Before the throne of God above

### CLOSING PRAYER

Please join us for refreshments in the church hall, including a meal for the kids.

Members of the prayer team will be available at the front right of church, and would be happy to talk and pray with you about anything.

## GROWTH GROUPS & FAMILY TABLETALK

Growth groups meet during the week. Part of what we do is to help each other think through more deeply what we learn on Sundays—and then be ready to change as a result.

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4. In what sense is the kingdom exclusive and in what sense is it inclusive? (See 22:30)

## 2 SAMUEL 23:1-7

### SERMON NOTES

The last words of David...

The kingdom is certain

The kingdom is attractive

The kingdom is exclusive

5. How does David show that he understands God's grace?

Extra:

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**SONG** All my days

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