

## SERVICE OUTLINE

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Ed Pennington

**SONGS** Come people of the risen King  
Only a Holy God

### CONFESSION

Father, forgive us:  
**Save us and help us.**

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### CHILDREN'S SLOT

Nikki Kennett

**SONG** There's nothing, nothing I can do or say

*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. Some weeks we also have a Pathfinder group for 11-15s.*

### PRAYERS

Jon Bradley

### BIBLE READING

Hannah Sutton

Romans 2:1-16 (p.1129)

*(Chinese Bibles p.907)*

### SERMON

Rob Bridgewater

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

**SONG** How deep the Father's love for us

### COMMUNION

See separate sheet

**SONG** There is a fountain

### CLOSING PRAYER

*Please join us for refreshments in the church hall. There is a meal for kids and any others staying on.*

*After the meal we have an "Equip" session looking at what the Bible says about sex and sexuality (which our passage from last week touched on).*

## ROMANS 2:1-16

Dear Paul...

Our faulty moral compass (1-4)

Our impartial God (5-11)

Our certain downfall (12-16)

So keep in mind Romans 1:16-17!

## 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. Here are some questions.

1. What struck, challenged or encouraged you in the teaching from God's word on Sunday?
2. What does Paul uncover about the human condition in v1-4? Do we share this still today?
3. Paul is keen to point out that God is impartial in his judgement— where do we see this in verses 5-11 and why do we need to know this?
4. Read v1-4 before reading v12-16 again. Where does this leave us?
5. What signs are there that all humans have some aspect of God's law on their hearts (v15)?

6. What would you say to someone who declares that they are a Christian because they live as Christ commanded?
7. One reformation statement of faith states that repentance starts with "terrors striking the conscience through the knowledge of sin". Is this our experience? Why/why not?

And here is a question for parents and children to discuss over a meal time one day...

When we think about being good, why do we compare ourselves against others rather than God?