**WESTFIELD EVENING SERVICE SUNDAY 6:30pm – 3rd July 2022**

**1/. Opening Welcome and Prayer.** We welcome everyone to our in-formal service and hope that the content is enjoyed by all, to the glory of God.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dear Father,

God, thank You for this day! Thank You for the birds and the animals, the flowers and the trees, the lakes and the streams, and the sun that rises and sets over them each day. Thank You for creating everything we see! Thank You for the life we live, and for making each person different. Thank You for Jesus, who died for us so that we can go to heaven one day just for believing in Him. What an amazing God You are! In Jesus’ Name, Amen. (Meg Bucher)

First let’s open up with a well known and loved hymn:

**2/. YouTube Video** > type in *"How Great Thou Art (Lyric Video) \ Celtic Worship ft. Steph Macleod"* The video to select is the one that is 6:58 mins \ secs long by Steph Macleod

Now a short video showing some beautiful flowers:

**3/. YouTube Video** > type in *"These flowers are the most beautiful flowers in the world”* Please select the video which is 3:23 mins \ secs long and by Evan Seven

Hope you enjoyed that, flowers are certainly a gift from God. Think about a time when you received some flowers when weren’t expecting them, how did it make you feel?

**4/. Our 1st Bible Reading** - Now let’s read from Psalm 103 and verses 1 to 5 from The Message translation:

***1-2O my soul, bless God.
    From head to toe, I’ll bless his holy name!
O my soul, bless God,
    don’t forget a single blessing!***

***3-5    He forgives your sins—every one.
    He heals your diseases—every one.
    He redeems you from hell—saves your life!
    He crowns you with love and mercy—a paradise crown.
    He wraps you in goodness—beauty eternal.
    He renews your youth—you’re always young in his presence.***

Now a wonderful version of "I stand in Awe of You" by Beth Croft

**5/. YouTube Video** > type in *"I stand in Awe of You - Beth Croft (lyrics on screen)" HD* The video to select is the one that is 4:18 mins \ secs long and by John Speicher

**6/. Time of Reflection** – so let us reflect on the beautiful words of this song again:

*“You are beautiful beyond description, too marvelous for words, too wonderful for comprehension, like nothing ever seen or heard, who can grasp your infinite wisdom, who can fathom the depths of your love, you are beautiful beyond description, Majesty enthroned above, and I stand, I stand in awe of you, I stand, I stand in awe of you, Holy God to whom all praise is due, I stand in all of you*.”

So in a quiet moment give God the praise for a time in your life when He especially showed His great love to you and your family.

Now time for a bit of African:

**7/. YouTube Video** > type in “*He Arose / Advent Harmon Choir”*.The video to select is the one that is 3:51 mins \ secs long, and by 2CBN TV.

It’s time for a fine Testimony from an American man who trusted in God for the delivery of finances so he could go on a mission trip.

**8/.You Tube Video** > type in “God providing finances testimony / Phillipians 4:19" The video to select is 4:25 mins \ secs long and by Victory Church GP.

**9/. Our 2nd Bible Reading** - please read Matthew 5, Verses 43 to 48

Love Your Enemies

***43“You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor[[i](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%205&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-23278i" \o "See footnote i)] and hate your enemy.’ 44But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. 46If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? 47And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? 48Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. “*** (NIV)

Let us have a bit of Andre Rieu:

**10/. YouTube Video** > Type in *"Andre Rieu – Oh Happy Day (feat. Harlem Gospel Choir and Soweto Gospel Choir")* The video to select is 3:51 mins long, and by Andre Rieu

Let us now watch a short video about scenes from the life of Paul.

**11/. You Tube Video >** Type in *"Bible Miniseries – Scenes from the life of Paul”.* Select the video which is 11:02 mins \ secs long and by Rock Church Rockford .

What do we think about the grace God showed Paul. What can we say about the way Paul responded to the call to serve Jesus?

**12/. You Tube Video >** Type in *“Thine Be The Glory”.* Select the video which is 3:01 mins \ secs long and by Hymn Channel.

**13/. Now our closing Prayer:**

Dear Father,

We thank you for our service tonight, and for all the privileges and blessings we have in this life. We remember to you the Westfield church family and any in our fellowship who are not well at this time. We pray for the continued work of the Wyke Foodbank and thank you Lord for the fine work of their staff and volunteers.

We pray for all in our world who suffer, those who are troubled, traumatised, oppressed or damaged. We pray for refugees, those who are displaced and those seeking political asylum. We pray for those who are homeless, jobless, those who have addictions, those under great pressure because of debt and the cost of living.

We pray for the protection of all our emergency services, NHS staff and people working on the frontline. Keep them safe especially where there is danger and violence.

In the name of Jesus we bring you these prayers.

And now our closing song, which we believe you will like:

**14/. YouTube Video***>* Type in *“Open Our Eyes – Marantha Singers"* Look for the video which is 4:18 mins \ secs long and by SMP738.

***15/. The Grace*** *-* May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all, now and forever. Amen.

Thank you, we hope you enjoyed our informal service. God bless you, and we send you our sincere love, in Christ, Glynis and Neil.