

HYMN SINGING NIGHT

| <i>Brother's Name</i> | <i>Comments / Narration</i> |
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| | <p>Welcome - Sitting & standing announcement Opening Comment</p> <p>Who would've thought that that we would even see 2016 – 20 yrs ago, 10 yrs ago, 5 years ago. Yet in God's long suffering way he has allowed us time to prepare for Christ's return. I'm sure everyone would agree we have experienced a breathtaking year in terms of current events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ The utter destruction and civil war of Syria. ☒ The Brexit, that took Britain and indeed the world by surprise ☒ The Surprise trump victory in America – indicative of Gods intent, "that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men." <p>These events are political and social earthquakes - and as if to display to the world that God is in control and about to shake terribly the earth literally, we have just had a series of actual earthquakes in North and South Islands New Zealand, Fukushima Japan, Guadalcanal - Solomon Islands, Banda Ache – Indonesia, Bougainville, Papua New Guinea. And the world as we know it is almost finished, man's rule is just about over, it is corrupt, polluted and violent.</p> <p>But God still, despite all these things, remains the same – He will not clear the guilty! – but to His saints He remains longsuffering, kind, forgiving, and merciful.</p> <p>The Kingdom age is almost here – and God's way WILL be imposed upon this earth in a way NEVER seen before, for the good of all creation, Pray God, that in His incredible mercy, each of us will find a place and part in that time of rest.</p> <p>Read: Psalm 67</p> |
| | SING – Hymn 420 – Great God, we praise Thy mighty hand |
| | SING – Hymn 94 – Immortal, invisible, God only wise |
| | OPENING PRAYER – praise and thanks for the year we have had, God's Word and all God has done for us |
| | <p>God has without doubt blessed us with the enormous privilege of the hope we share together, and the sweet companionship and fellowship we have with one another. But this enormous blessing and privilege has not come without huge cost, pain and suffering by our Lord Jesus Christ and his father – the God of all creation.</p> <p>The next little segment of our evening reminds us of our obligation and responsibility to be in sync with history, in terms of the offering that has been made, that we might have life.</p> |

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| | READING – Psalm 119:97-105 |
| | SING – Hymn 214 Thou art the Way, by thee alone |
| | READING – Isaiah 53 |
| | MEDITATION SOLO: Hymn 212 – O Son of man, who walked each day |
| | READING – Romans 8:31-39 |
| | <i>Comment before prayer</i> The victory that each of us are able to share in, has not come about by our own ingenuity, self-control or dominance, but from a man who was meek, humble and submissive to his fathers will. A man who walked each day a humble road, in total service to others – yet the wonder of it all was this..... that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself. The Victory is Gods! |
| | PRAYER – thanks for the hope of salvation & work of Jesus Christ |
| | MEDITATION Hymn 289 – A rose shall bloom in the lonely place |
| | READING – Isaiah 2:2-5 |
| | SING – Hymn 379 – Most glorious things are spoken |
| | SING – Hymn 376 – Lift up your heads, ye saints, |
| | READING – 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 |
| | READING – Revelation 22:12-15,17,20-21 |
| | SING – Hymn 310 – Who are these like stars appearing |
| | READING – Revelation 5:7-14 |
| | <i>Introduce “The Holy City”</i> Very shortly each of us – if we are willing – are about to witness and be a part of an event that has been the heart’s desire of many many people down through history. The holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband, has been forming for 6000 years! What an event, what an incredible privilege and moment that will be, when finally our Lord shall see his seed, and be glad. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are a heartbeat away from being resurrected to that event. Is this our dream? Can we almost hear the children singing, and the angels resounding song? Can we see the holy city beside tideless sea? The gentile night of darkness is almost over! |
| | SING – The Holy City (Solo) |
| | PRAYER – for God's Kingdom to come and strength to stay in God's Way |