

# Church Schools Leavers Day 2024



The organist will play as the banner bearers process down the nave and present their banners.

#### Please stand

#### Shine Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

#### **Chorus**

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence. From the shadows into Your radiance; By the blood I may enter Your brightness. Search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me. *Chorus* 

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness, Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me. *Chorus* 

Words and music: Graham Kendrick

Please sit

#### Introduction

Blessing of Antony Gormley inspired clay figures from all of our schools.

# A story from the Bible read by a headteacher from one of our schools – *God calls Samuel*

Please stand

#### Here I Am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard your people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night I will make the darkness bright Who will bear my light to them Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord
If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone Fill their hearts with love alone I will speak my word to them Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord
If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will save Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord
If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I will hold your people in my heart...

Words and Music: Sydney Carter

Please sit

## A talk from the bishop on the Bible reading

Please stand

### The Lord's My Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights. And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know.

And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

Words and Music: Traditional/Stuart Townend

Please sit

# **Sharing the Light of Jesus**

Please listen out for your school's name - an adult and pupil from each school will come to the front to receive a candle.

# Prayers led by children

We say Amen at the end of each prayer.

#### We join together in the Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen

#### Please stand

#### You Shall Go Out With Joy

(we sing 3 times)

You shall go out with joy And be let forth with peace, And the mountains and the hills Will break forth before you There'll be shouts of joy And the trees of the fields Will clap, will clap their hands

And the trees of the fields
Will clap their hands
The trees of the fields will clap their hands
The trees of the fields will clap their hands
While you go out with joy

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# The Blessing

# Retrieval and procession of banners

