Commitment for Life service 2019

**‘Life giving faith, defiant hope, generous love’**

Hymn suggestions

**Opening hymns**

**Rejoice and Sing**

33 Eternal God, your love’s tremendous glory

90 O Lord all the world belongs to you

104 Praise my soul the king of heaven

116 Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore him

123 Think of a world without any flowers

**Hymns on the themes of faith, hope, love**

**Rejoice and Sing**

197 Jesus hands were kind hands

199 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

474 Brother, sister, let me serve you

477 Let there be love shared among us

512 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

586 All my hope on god is founded

648 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

663 Love divine

740 Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord

**Closing hymns**

**Rejoice and Sing**

520 For ourselves no longer living

583 The church is wherever God’s people are praising

603 Lord for the years your love has kept and guided

636 The church of Christ in every age

**Hymn on the theme by Martin John Nicholls.**

The Church is wherever God’s people are praising,

Singing their thanks for his goodness this day.

The Church is wherever disciples of Jesus

Remember his story and walk in his way.

The Church is wherever God’s people are helping,

Caring for neighbours in sickness and need.

The Church is wherever God’s people are sharing

The words of the Bible in gift and in need.

The Church is wherever God’s people are praying,

Standing with faith between heaven and earth.

The Church is wherever the Gospel is spoken,

And lived and made real to those doubting their worth.

The Church is wherever God’s people are sharing

Life giving faith and a generous love;

Where homes are protected, their culture respected,

And hope is defiant ‘til all have enough.

*Vv 1 and 2 Carol R. Ikeler; vv 3 and 4 Martin John Nicholls*

Hymn 583 in R&S tune: Bard of Armagh