

Wallington and St Andrew's URCs
Sunday 24 May 2020

The Revd Craig Bowman

Call to worship

♪ The head that once was crowned
with thorns
Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords
Is His by sovereign right,
The King of kings, and Lord of lords,
He reigns in perfect light.

The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below,
To whom He manifests His love,
And grants His name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is given;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above;
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of His love.

The cross He bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to Him;
His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

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Prayer and 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.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver
us from evil. For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Amen.

For all the family – Empty sandals

♪ What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear;
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer.
O, what peace we often forfeit,
O, what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer:
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

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Acts 1:6-14 –

The ascension of Jesus

John 17:1-11 –

Jesus prays for glory

Sermon

♪ V1: Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart: it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.

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Prayers of intercession

♪ There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

Thank you ...

(interlude)

When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place.

Thank you ...

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Congregation of St Thomas the Martyr Church,
Newcastle, BBC Songs of Praise.*

Blessing

*Closing music: So nun der Geist, from Jesu meine
Freude by J S Bach: 'And if the Spirit of him who
raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who
raised Christ from the dead will also give life to
your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives
in you.' (Romans 8:11). Performance: The Sixteen
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*The Bible passages are read by Stella Chevalier
and Laura Barker and our prayers of intercession
are led by Alan Cruchley.*