

Wallington and St Andrew's URCs
Sunday 16 May 2021

Revd Craig Bowman

Call to worship

♪ Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
Hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
The high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Power and majesty concealing
By your humble birth:
Yours the glory ...

Suffering Servant, scorned, ill-treated,
Victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated,
Sinners justified:
Yours the glory ...

Priestly King, enthroned forever
High in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
Stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory ...

So, our hearts and voices raising
Through the ages long,
Ceaselessly upon You gazing,
This shall be our song:
Yours the glory ...

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music: John Barnard © 1982 The Jubilate Group.
Performance: Music for Faith and Worship, YouTube.*

Prayers and Lord's prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be
thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be
done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive
us our trespasses as we forgive those that
trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us
from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

For all the family –
The Ascension and Mary Poppins

♪ As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.
*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.
You alone ...

You're my Friend and You're my Brother,
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.
You alone ...

*Words and music: Martin Nystrom © 1984 Restoration
Music Ltd. Performance: Emmaus Music, YouTube.*

Acts 1:1-11 – Jesus taken up into Heaven
Luke 24:44-53 – The ascension of Jesus

Sermon

♪ He is Lord, He is Lord.
He is risen from the dead
And He is Lord.
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.

He is King, He is King.
He is risen from the dead
And He is King.
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is King.

He is Love, He is Love.
He is risen from the dead
And He is Love.
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Love.

Words and music: Anon. Arrangement, piano and vocals: May Iglesias Gaza, YouTube.

Prayers of intercession

♪ 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.
*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 your blood I may enter your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine ...

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, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine ...

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Blessing

Closing music: Prelude and fugue no 20 from *The Well-tempered Guitars* by Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, performed by the Brasil Guitar Duo, João Luiz and Douglas Lora, © and © 2009 Naxos.

The family talk was chosen by Richard Seaton, the Bible readings are by Stella Chevalier and Steffi Campbell Smith and our prayers of intercession are led by Nigel Dickinson.