

Wallington and St Andrew's URCs
Sunday 19 July 2020

Revd Craig Bowman

Call to worship

♪ Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy one, is here;

Come bow before Him now with
reverence and fear.

In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy
ground;

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining
all around;

He burns with holy fire, with splendour He
is crowned.

How awesome is the sight, our radiant
King of light!

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining
all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is
moving in this place;

He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister
His grace.

No work too hard for Him, in faith receive
from Him;

Be still, for the power of the Lord is
moving in this place.

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Music. Performance: David Price and Portsmouth
Cathedral choir, David Thorne (organ) ©1997
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Prayer 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 –
Why do we go to church?

♪ O God, you search me and you
know me.

All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are
before me:

Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In every moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through
and through.

You are with me beyond my
understanding:
God of my present, my past and
future, too.

Although your Spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape
you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is
made new.

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Genesis 28:10-22 – Jacob’s dream

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43 –

The parable of the weeds

Sermon

♪ God moves in a mysterious way

His wonders to perform:

He plants his footsteps in the sea,

And rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines

Of never-failing skill,

He treasures up his bright designs,

And works his sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;

The clouds ye so much dread

Are big with mercy, and shall break

In blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,

But trust him for his grace;

Behind a frowning providence

He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast

Unfolding every hour;

The bud may have a bitter taste,

But sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err,

And scan his work in vain;

God is his own interpreter,

And he will make it plain.

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Prayers of intercession

♪ Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,

Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares

could destroy;

Be there at our waking and give us,

we pray,

Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the

break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,

Whose strong hands were skilled at the

plane and the lathe;

Be there at our labours, and give us,

we pray,

Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the

noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,

Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms

to embrace;

Be there at our homing, and give us,

we pray,

Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve

of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,

Whose voice is contentment, whose

presence is balm;

Be there at our sleeping, and give us,

we pray,

Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the

end of the day.

Words: Jan Struther © 1931, 1982 Oxford University Press, music: trad. Performance: Barry Rose and the choir of St Albans Cathedral.

Blessing

The Bible passages are read by Clare McNamara and Julie Jamgotchian and the family talk is by Maggie Macdonald. Our prayers of intercession are led by Sheila Cruchley and include material from engageworship.org.

Closing music: The God of Jacob (Psalm 46) sung by Kiran Young Wimberly to a traditional Irish melody, © 2013 and © 2016 KYW Songs.