

Wallington and St Andrew's URCs
Sunday 23 August 2020

Revd Craig Bowman

Call to worship

♪ For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light:
Lord of all ...

For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and brain's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight:
Lord of all ...

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all ...

For thy Bride that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
this pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all ...

Words: Folliott Pierpoint, music, David Evans.
Performance: Wells Cathedral Choir, Rupert
Gough (organ), Malcolm Archer (conductor).
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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 forever. Amen.

For all the family – The Repair Shop

♪ *It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord,*
Standing in the need of prayer.

Not my brother, not my sister but it's me,
O Lord,
Standing in the need of prayer.
It's me, it's me ...

Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me,
O Lord,
Standing in the need of prayer.
It's me, it's me ...

Not my father, not my mother but it's me,
O Lord,
Standing in the need of prayer.
It's me, it's me ...

Not the stranger, not my neighbour but
it's me, O Lord,
Standing in the need of prayer.
It's me, it's me ...

Words and music: African-American spiritual.
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Exodus 1:8-2:10 – The birth of Moses
Matthew 16:13-20 –

Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah

Sermon

♪ All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he
 guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray His trust;
What with care and toil he buildeth
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth
Deep his wisdom, passing thought.
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore, from his store,
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Day by day our mighty giver
Grants to us His gifts of love;
In His will our souls find pleasure,
Leading to our home above.
Love shall stand at his hand;
Joy shall wait for his command.

Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call one and all;
Ye who follow shall not fall.

*Words: Joachim Neander alt Robert Bridges,
music: Herbert Howells. Performance: Southwark
Cathedral, BBC Songs of Praise.*

Prayers of intercession

♪ O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised
To all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory
There shall Thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow
My Master and my friend.

O let me see Thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in Thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heaven receive me,
My Saviour and my friend!

*Words: John Bode, music: J W Elliott.
Performance: St Alban's Church, Bristol, BBC
Songs of Praise.*

Blessing

*Closing music: Calling all workers by Eric Coates,
performed by the London Symphony Orchestra,
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*The Bible passages are read by Margaret Holmes
and Elaine McDowall, the family talk is by
Heather Saint and our prayers of intercession are
led by Roseairi Evison.*