

**Wallington and St Andrew's URCs**  
**Sunday 20 September 2020**

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Call to worship

♪ Rejoice, the Lord is King!  
Your Lord and King adore;  
Mortals, give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore:  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;*  
*Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Jesus the Saviour reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When He had purged our stains,  
He took His seat above:  
*Lift up your heart ...*

His kingdom cannot fail,  
He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus given:  
*Lift up your heart ...*

Rejoice in glorious hope;  
Jesus the Judge shall come,  
And take His servants up  
To their eternal home:  
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;  
The trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

*Words: Charles Wesley, music: Georg Frideric Handel. Performance: Choir of St Alban's Cathedral, BBC Songs of Praise.*

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.

***At Wallington and online:***

For all the family –  
Have you ever said ...?

***At St Andrew's:***

Baptism of Ethan Crosse

Minister: As a community of faith, representing the whole Church, do you welcome Ethan and promise to share with him what you yourselves have received: the gift of God's love revealed in Christ?

We respond: **We do with God's help.**

♪ The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*Words: Numbers 6:24-26; music Lowell Mason. Performance: choir of St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington, Cole Bendall (Conductor), John Anderson (Organ) © Church of Scotland.*

***At both churches and online:***

♪ The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.  
He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters,  
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone.*  
*And I will trust in You alone,*  
*For Your endless mercy follows me,*  
*Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,  
And He anoints my head with oil,

And my cup, it overflows with joy,  
I feast on His pure delights.  
*And I will trust in You alone ...*

And though I walk the darkest path,  
I will not fear the evil one,  
For You are with me, and Your rod and  
staff  
Are the comfort I need to know.  
*And I will trust in You alone ...*

*Words: Psalm 23; music: Stuart Townend, © 1996  
Thankyou Music. Performance: Stuart Townend  
and the Stoneleigh Worship Band.*

Exodus 16:2-15 – Bread from the Lord  
Matthew 20:1-16 –  
The workers in the vineyard

Sermon

♪ Brother, sister let me serve you,  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace to  
Let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
And companions on the road;  
We are here to help each other  
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you  
In the night-time of your fear.  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony,  
Born of all we've known together  
Of Christ's love and agony.

*Words and music: Richard Gillard, music arr Betty  
Pulkingham, © 1977 Universal Music - Brentwood  
Benson Publishing. Performance: BBC Songs of  
Praise.*

Prayers of intercession

♪ Let us build a house where love  
can dwell  
And all can safely live,  
A place where saints and children tell  
How hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
Rock of faith and vault of grace;  
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:  
*All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where  
prophets speak,  
And words are strong and true,  
Where all God's children dare to seek  
To dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
And as symbol of God's grace;  
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:  
*All are welcome ...*

Let us build a house where love is found  
In water, wine and wheat:  
A banquet hall on holy ground  
Where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
Is revealed in time and space;  
As we share in Christ the feast that  
frees us:  
*All are welcome ...*

Let us build a house where hands  
will reach  
Beyond the wood and stone  
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
And live the Word they've known.

Here the outcast and the stranger  
Bear the image of God's face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:  
*All are welcome ...*

Let us build a house where all are named,  
Their songs and visions heard  
And loved and treasured, taught  
and claimed  
As words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
Let this house proclaim from floor  
to rafter:  
*All are welcome ...*

## Blessing

*Closing music: Benedictus by Karl Jenkins  
performed by Voces8. © 2014 Decca Classical.*

*The Bible passages are read by Julie Jamgotchian  
and Clare McNamara, the family talk is by Alan  
Cruchley and the prayers of intercession are led by  
Heather Saint.*