

Sunday Worship: 24th January 2021

Welcome: Rev Amy Stott

Hymn: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision O lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought in the day and the night
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

2. Be thou my wisdom be thou my true word
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord
thou my great Father and I thy true heir
thou in me dwelling and I in thy care

3. Be thou my breastplate my sword for the fight
be thou my armour and be thou my might
thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower
raise thou me heavenward O Power of my power

4. Riches I need not nor all the world's praise
thou mine inheritance through all my days
thou and thou only the first in my heart
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art!

5. High King of Heaven when battle is done
grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heavens Sun
Christ of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O ruler of all!

(Irish 8th century trans. Mary Byrne (1880-1931) and Eleanor Hull (1860-1935))

Opening prayer:

Holy Father, Creator of all things, whose blessed Son turned the water into wine, grant that he may come to us and change us, and so transform our lives that in us your glory may be revealed, through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

Confession

we pray together:

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are and direct what we shall be, that we may do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

Hymn: Abba Father

Abba Father, let me be yours and yours alone.
May my will forever be more and more your own.

Never let my heart grow cold, never let me go.
Abba Father let me be, yours and yours alone.

(Dave Bilbrough c. 1977 Thankyou Music)

First reading: Genesis 40: 1-8; 20-23

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+40%3A1-8%3B+20-23&version=ESV>

Second reading: Genesis 41: 8-14; 37-41

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+41%3A1%3B+8-14%3B+37-41&version=ESV>

Hymn: King of Kings Majesty

King of Kings Majesty,
God of heaven living in me,
Gentle Saviour, closest friend
strong deliverer beginning and end,
all within me falls at your throne.

Chorus: Your majesty, I can but bow
I lay my all before you now.
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve your majesty.

2. Earth and heaven, worship you,
love eternal faithful and true
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls
brought this sinner near to your throne.
All within me cries out in praise.

Chorus

(Jarrod Cooper c. 1996 Sovereign Life Music)

Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=john+15%3A1-8&version=ESV>

Sermon

Hymn: King of my Heart

Let the King of my heart be the mountain where I run,
The fountain I drink from, oh He is my song.
Let the King of my heart be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life oh He is my song.

Chorus: You are good, good, oh
You are good, good, oh oh.

Let the King of my heart be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves oh he is my Song.
Let the King of my heart be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days oh He is my Song.

Chorus

You're never gonna let, you're never gonna let me down.
You're never gonna let, you're never gonna let me down.

Chorus.

(Sarah McMillan, John Mark McMillan c. 2015 Meaux Jeux Music, Raucous Ruckus Publishing)

Intercessions

Peace

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Hymn: Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

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.

(David J Evans c. 1986 Thank you Music)

As we prepare for communion we would normally bring our offerings to God. You are still able to tithe via online bank transfer to the church account 'St Luke's Parochial Church Council' Sort Code: 090153 Account No: 00241909.

Alternatively if you have been setting money aside in your envelopes do let Rev Amy know and she can collect them for you or have you bring them to church.

Communion:

The lord is here.
His spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

... We join with them in heaven's song:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

to the bidding This is his story, the response is:

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit-
Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever, Amen.

Standing at the foot of the cross, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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 who trespass against us.

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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Post Communion Prayer

**Almighty God we thank you for feeding us with the body
and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer
you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us
out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your
praise and glory. Amen.**

Notices

Closing Prayer

**Eternal God, beginning and end,
go with us in this week's journey,
Shine in our darkness,
open our eyes to all you are doing around us today.
Take us and use us, to bring to others, the new life you
give us in Christ Jesus.**

Blessing

Hymn: Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
and grace my fears relieved
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come.
Twas grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

The Lord has promised good to me
his word my hope secures
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures

When we've been there ten thousand years
bright shining as the sun
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we first begun.

(John Newton, 1725-1807)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ, Amen.