

St Andrew's with Castle Gate URC

Draft Order of Service 18 August 2023

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Welcome and notices

Call to worship – Proverbs 9:1, 5 & 6

Hymn - Praise my soul the King of heaven R&S 104

Prayers of Approach, Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Reading – 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

All age address – The wisdom of Solomon

Anthem – (Quartet) "What a goodly thing,"

Hymn – There's a spirit in the air – R&S 329

Offertory thanksgiving & prayer for the church family

Reading – John 6: 51-58

Hymn – Now my tongue, the mystery telling, *certain verses from CH4 667 plus hymnary.org, adapted MGH (T – CH4 666 or 667?)*

1 Now, my tongue, the mystery telling
of the glorious body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the world's great Lord and King,
in a virgin's womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.

*2 Given for us, to us descending,
to be born for us below,
he, with us in discourse blending,
lived the seed of truth to sow,
till he closed with wondrous ending
his most patient life of woe.*

3 Word-made-flesh, his word is making
earthly bread his flesh to be,
wine his blood; and all partaking
should from sinful thoughts be free:
faith alone, sight's limits breaking,
shows true hearts the mystery.

4 Unto God be praise and honour
to the Father, to the Son,
to the mighty Spirit, glory,
ever Three and ever One,
power and glory in the highest
while eternal ages run. (Amen)

Thomas Aquinas, tr Edward Caswall

Sermon

Hymn – Be thou my vision – R&S 489

Prayers of intercession (with sung response)

Hymn – Lord for the years – R&S 603

Sending with spoken Amen