

St Andrew's with Castle Gate URC
Order for Worship for Sunday 15th September 2024 at 11.00am

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship – Psalm 19:1 & 2

Hymn – R&S 103. Praise to the holiest in the height

Opening Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Reading – Isaiah 50:4-9a

Junior Church Promotions and Dedication

Anthem

Hymn – MP 862. I'll go in the strength of the Lord

I'll go in the strength of the Lord,
in paths He has marked for my feet;
I'll follow the light of His word,
nor shrink from the dangers I meet.
His presence my steps shall attend,
His fulness my wants shall supply;
on Him, 'til my journey shall end,
my unwavering faith will rely.

*I'll go, (I'll go,) I'll go in the strength,
I'll go in the strength of the Lord (I'll go).
I'll go, (I'll go,) I'll go in the strength,
I'll go in the strength of the Lord.*

I'll go in the strength of the Lord,
to work He appoints me to do;
in joy which His smile doth afford

my soul shall its vigour renew.
His wisdom shall guard me from harm,
His power my sufficiency prove;
I'll trust His omnipotent arm,
and prove His unchangeable love.

I'll go . . .

I'll go in the strength of the Lord,
to conflicts which faith will require;
His grace as my shield and reward,
my courage and zeal shall inspire.
Since He gives the word of command
to meet and encounter the foe,
with His sword of truth in my hand
to suffer and triumph I'll go.

I'll go . . .

I'll go in the strength of the Lord.

Words by Edward Turney, Music by Ivor Bosanko

Blessing for the Offertory and for the Junior Church
(Junior Church leave)

Reading – Mark 8:27-38

Hymn – CH4 10. The stars declare his glory

1. The stars declare his glory;
the vault of heaven springs
mute witness of the Master's hand
in all created things,
and through the silences of space
their soundless music sings.

2. The dawn returns in splendour,
the heavens burn and blaze,
the rising sun renews the race
that measures all our days,
and writes in fire across the skies
God's majesty and praise.
3. So shine the Lord's commandments
to make the simple wise;
more sweet than honey to the taste,
more rich than any prize,
a law of love within our hearts,
a light before our eyes.
4. So order too this life of mine,
direct it all my days;
may the meditations of my heart
be innocence and praise,
my rock and my redeeming Lord,
in all my words and ways.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

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Sermon

Hymn – R&S 685. Through all the changing scenes of life

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn – R&S 44. Lord of the boundless curves of space

Benediction (Sung Amen)

We give a very warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today, either in the sanctuary or on-line. If you are sitting next to a microphone, it is in use.

This Service will be live-streamed and you may be seen on camera, although we will not deliberately take any close-ups of the congregation. By attending you agree to be seen in this way. If you have any concerns, please speak with our Church Secretary.

If you are visiting for the first time, please do fill out a visitor's card, which can be found in the vestibule. We would be very pleased to stay in touch with you.

Play-bags are available for our youngest friends in the vestibule. These may be used, under parental supervision, until our younger friends leave for Junior Church.

We extend a very warm invitation to you all to join us after the Service for coffee and friendship in our Fellowship Room downstairs. Please leave the sanctuary by the door on the right at the front and turn downstairs. There is a lift, if you require one. When using the lift, please keep your finger on the button until you have arrived at your destination.

If you would like to make a donation to support our Church's life and witness, donations may be made by cash in the offertory bags hanging on the end of the pews at the back of church or, at the end of the Service, on the large offertory plate by the door leading to coffee. Donations may also be made through the card reader on the shelf by the right hand door at the back of Church.

More information on our Church's life and witness may be found at
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