

St Andrew's with Castle Gate URC
Order for Worship for Sunday 23rd March 2025 at 11.00am

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship – Psalm 34:1 & 8

Hymn – StF 477. Teach me to dance

*Teach me to dance to the beat of your heart,
teach me to move in the power of your Spirit,
teach me to walk in the light of your presence,
teach me to dance to the beat of your heart.
Teach me to love with your heart of compassion,
teach me to trust in the word of your promise,
teach me to hope in the day of your coming,
teach me to dance to the beat of your heart.*

1. You wrote the rhythm of life,
created heaven and earth;
in you is joy without measure.
So, like a child in your sight,
I danced to see your delight,
for I was made for your pleasure, pleasure.
2. Let all my movements express
a heart that loves to say 'yes',
a will that leaps to obey you.
Let all my energy blaze
to see the joy in your face,
let my whole being praise you, praise you.

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Opening Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Reading – Isaiah 55:1-9

The Baptisms of Louis and Bobby Rogers

Anthem

Hymn – This little light of mine

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

1. The light that shines is the light of love,
Lights the darkness from above.
It shines on me and it shines on you,
And shows what the power of love can do.
I'm gonna shine my light both far and near,
I'm gonna shine my light both bright and clear.
Where there's a dark corner in this land
I'm gonna let my little light shine.
2. On Monday He gave me the gift of love,
Tuesday, peace came from above.
On Wednesday He told me to have more faith,
On Thursday He gave me a little more grace.
Friday, He told me just to watch and pray,
Saturday, He told me just what to say.
On Sunday He gave me the power divine
To let my little light shine.

This little light of mine ...

Words and melody Traditional

Blessing for the Offertory and for the Junior Church

(Junior Church leave)

Reading – Luke 13:6-9

Hymn – R&S 92. Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)

Talk 1 – The Parable of the Fig Tree

Hymn – R&S 518. Father, I place into your hands

Talk 2

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn – R&S 532. Lord of creation, to you be T. R&S 531

Benediction: We say together the words of ‘The Grace’.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. 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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