

**St Andrews With Castle Gate URC
Sunday August 17th 2025 at 11am
Rev'd Andrew Keith**

Welcome and Notices

Context of Worship 1 John 4:9ff

Hymn - R&S 47. O Worship the King

Reflection & Prayer

Talk - A mixed reception

Hymn - R&S 522. From heaven you came

Reading - Luke 12: 51-53 inclusive

Talk - An Upside-Down Gospel

Offering Received & Prayer

Hymn - R&S 90. O Lord all the World

Talk - Notice and Change

Prayer for discernment.

Grant to me, O Lord, to know what is worth knowing,

To love what is worth loving,

to praise what delights you most,

To value what is precious to you,

and to reject whatever is evil in your eyes.

Give me true discernment,

So that I may judge rightly between things that differ.

***Above all, may I search out and do what is pleasing to you;
Through Jesus Christ my Lord.
Amen.***

Thomas A Kempis, c. 1389-1471

Hymn - May the mind of Christ my saviour Tune: St Leonard's

1. May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say.
2. May the Word of Christ dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His pow'r.
3. May the peace of Christ my Saviour
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.
4. May the love of Jesus fill me,
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self-abasing,
This is victory.
5. May I run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus
As I onward go.

Reading: 1 Cor 13: 1-8a & 13

Talk: Gently does it.

Hymn R&S 614 Love came down at Christmas

Prayers & Pilgrim Prayer

*God of pilgrims,
teach us to recognise your dwelling-place
in the love, generosity, and support of those with whom we
share our journey.
Help us to worship you in our response to those who need
our care,
for all the world is your temple,
and every human heart is a sign of your presence.
Made known to us in Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen*

Hymn - I the Lord of sea and sky

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will send the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.

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Blessing

Amen