

St Andrew's with Castle Gate URC
Sunday 8th March 2026
3rd Sunday of Lent
Worship led by Revd Andrew Checkley

Welcome and Notices

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Call to Worship Psalm 121

Hymn R&S 39 All creatures of our God and King

Prayers of approach, confession and the Lord's Prayer

Reading Exodus 17:1-7

All age section

Anthem

Hymn R&S 345 Guide me, O though great Jehovah

Offering, thanksgiving and prayer for the children and young people
Junior Church leave

Reading John 4:5-15, 27-30 and 39-42

Hymn As the deer pants for the water (CH4 550)
As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.
*You alone are my strength, my shield,
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.*

I want you more than gold or silver;
only you can satisfy.

You alone are the real joy-giver,
and the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength.....

You're my friend and you are my brother,
even though you are a King.
I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything.

You alone are my strength.....

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Sermon

Hymn

Have you heard the raindrops (CH4 525)

Have you heard the raindrops drumming on the
rooftops?

Have you heard the raindrops dripping on the ground?
Have you heard the raindrops splashing in the streams
and running to the rivers all around?

*There's water, water of life,
Jesus gives us the water of life;
there's water, water of life,
Jesus gives us the water of life*

There's a busy workman digging in the desert,
digging with a spade that flashes in the sun;
soon there will be water rising in the well shaft,
spilling from the bucket as it comes.

There's water, water of life, etc.

Nobody can live who hasn't any water,
when the land is dry then nothing much grows;
Jesus gives us life if we drink the living water,
sing it so that everybody knows.

There's water, water of life, etc.

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Prayers of intercession

Hymn

R&S 586 (2) All my hope on God is founded

Blessing (sung Amen)