

5.00pm

13th June 2021

Welcome | Craig Larnner

Song 1 | There's a voice

There's a voice that has spoken
to the end of time
giving one final message
to be sent to all the lands.
He's an end to all our striving,
bringing grace to satisfy;
and he's ruling 'til all nations
bow the knee to his commands.

We see Jesus, now exalted –
grace to meet our every need.
King eternal, never changing,
you will safely lead us home.

There's a name we can call on
at the Father's side:
there forever interceding,
he will always hear our cry.
Once for all, by God accepted
as our perfect sacrifice;
By that work his words have power
to redeem and justify.

We see Jesus...

Soon our king will return
and bring his children home.
He's our helper, our great shelter,
in our trials he won't forsake.
So why cherish what is passing?
Persevere and run the race –
he is faithful, he will do it
for his kingdom cannot shake.

We see Jesus...

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St Andrew the Great

Notices | Vic Ritchie

Prayers | Carolyn Ash

Beginning with a prayer of confession:

Together: O King enthroned on high, filling the earth with your glory: holy is your name, Lord God almighty. In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away, and to cleanse our lips to speak your word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.
1 Peter 3:18 NIV

Collect

Lord God, the unfailing helper and guide of those whom you bring up in your unmovable fear and love, keep us, we pray, under the protection of your good providence and give us a continual reverence and love for your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song 2 | Man of sorrows

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God,
By His own betrayed.
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid.

Silent as He stood accused,
Beaten, mocked and scorned.
Bowing to the Father's will,
He took a crown of thorns.

Oh that rugged cross:
My salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me.
Now my soul cries out:
"Hallelujah!"
Praise and honour unto Thee.

Sent of heaven – God's own Son –
To purchase and redeem,
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree.

Oh that rugged cross...

Now my debt is paid,
It is paid in full
By the precious blood
That my Jesus spilled.
Now the curse of sin
Has no hold on me.
Whom the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed.
(repeat)

Oh that rugged cross...

See the stone is rolled away,
Behold the empty tomb.
Hallelujah, God be praised,
He's risen from the grave!

Oh that rugged cross...

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Readings | Vic Ritchie and Ugo Akuwudike

Psalm 120

A song of ascents.

¹ I call on the LORD in my distress,
and he answers me.
² Save me, LORD,
from lying lips
and from deceitful tongues.
³ What will he do to you,
and what more besides,
you deceitful tongue?

⁴ He will punish you with a warrior's sharp arrows,
with burning coals of the broom bush.

⁵ Woe to me that I dwell in Meshek,
that I live among the tents of Kedar!

⁶ Too long have I lived
among those who hate peace.

⁷ I am for peace;
but when I speak, they are for war.

John 8:39-48

³⁹ 'Abraham is our father,' they answered.

'If you were Abraham's children,' said Jesus, 'then you would do what Abraham did. ⁴⁰ As it is, you are looking for a way to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. Abraham did not do such things. ⁴¹ You are doing the works of your own father.'

'We are not illegitimate children,' they protested. 'The only Father we have is God himself.'

⁴² Jesus said to them, 'If God were your Father, you would love me, for I have come here from God. I have not come on my own; God sent me. ⁴³ Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say. ⁴⁴ You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. ⁴⁵ Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me!

⁴⁶ Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me? ⁴⁷ Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God.'

⁴⁸ The Jews answered him, 'Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demon-possessed?'

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Sermon | Christopher Ash

Far from home

Where beside the King I walk,
For there my heart has found its treasure:
Christ is mine forevermore.

Come rejoice now, O my soul,
For his love is my reward.
Fear is gone and hope is sure;
Christ is mine forevermore!

And mine are keys to Zion city...

Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

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Song 3 | Christ is mine forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered,
I was made to walk with Him;
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer,
Though I fall, his love is sure,
For Christ has paid for every failing:
I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow,
Darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted:
Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger;
Pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ, I will encounter
Harm and hatred for his name.
But mine is armour for this battle,
Strong enough to last the war,
And he has said he will deliver
Safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city,

Final prayer | Craig Lerner

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all for ever more. Amen. (From 2 Corinthians 13:14 NIV)

Looking Ahead...

Monday 14th June – Arena@Home continues – more details at stag.org/arena

Sunday 20th June

10.00am and 11.45am Services

1 John 1:1-4 – The real thing

5.00pm Service

Psalm 121 – I lift my eyes

Access all services at stag.org/livestream

Save the date!

Sunday 11th July – Church picnic (more details to follow)

Small Groups

Our Sunday and midweek groups will continue to meet where possible by video-conferencing or Skype. Group leaders will send instructions on how to join the sessions and keep in touch.

If you need help...

If you are experiencing any difficulties due to illness or self-isolation, such as collecting prescriptions or getting to the shops to pick up groceries, please contact your small group or the Church Office at church.office@stag.org (only if there is no alternative please use the church phone number - 01223 518218) and we will put you in touch with someone who can help.

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