

**Ayr St Columba Church**  
**Sunday 10 January 2021**



**Guiding Star**

My dearest Lord,  
be thou a bright flame before me,  
be thou a guiding star above me,  
be thou a smooth path beneath me,  
be thou a kindly shepherd behind me,  
today and ever more.

*Prayer of St Columba*

*Organ Voluntary*

*The Bible, God's Word for life, is placed in the pulpit by the Beadle.*

Welcome & Announcements

Preparatory Silence

Call to Worship

**Hymn 63 All people that on earth do dwell**

*(t. Old 100<sup>th</sup>)*

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.  
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

Oh, enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto:  
praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

*Psalm 100*

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Absolution and Supplication

Lesson St Mark 1: 4 - 11

**Hymn**      **Thou whose almighty word**

*(t. Moscow)*

Thou whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard  
And took their flight.  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And, where the gospel day  
Sheds not its glorious ray,  
Let there be light.

Thou who didst come to bring,  
On thy redeeming wing,  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
Let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth thy flight;  
Move o'er the waters' face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide  
Let there be light.

*John Marriott, 1780-1825*

Solo

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession, Commemoration of the  
Faithful Departed and The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn 269**      **Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round**      *(t. Song 1)*

Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round  
of circling planets singing on their way,  
guide of the nations from the night profound  
into the glory of the perfect day:  
rule in our hearts, and keep us ever true,  
directed, strengthened, and upheld by you.

We are your own, the children of your love,  
your family, with your beloved Son;  
come to us, Holy Spirit, like a dove,  
and fill our hearts that we may be as one;  
as one with you, our comforter and friend;  
as one with him, our way, our life, our end.

We would be one in hatred of all wrong,  
one in our love of all things kind and fair,  
one with the joy that finds a voice in song,  
one with the grief that trembles into prayer,  
one in the power that sets us free from fear  
to follow truth, and so to find you near.

*John White Chadwick (1840-1904)*

**BENEDICTION**

*Closing Voluntary*

Reflection