

**Livingstone Parish Church**  
**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020**  
**The Right Rev Dr Martin Fair**

**Hymn 1            MP 449**

**Love divine, all loves excelling,**  
joy of heaven, to earth come down:  
fix in us Thy humble dwelling,  
all Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
visit us with Thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
into every troubled breast;  
let us all in Thee inherit,  
let us find that second rest.  
Take away the love of sinning,  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all Thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,  
glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation:  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see Thy great salvation,  
perfectly restored in Thee,  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

**Hymn 2            MP 746**

**What a friend we have in Jesus,**  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear –  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
For we should never be discouraged:  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness –  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Saviour, still our refuge!  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,  
thou wilt find a solace there.

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!

Joseph Scriven (1819-1886)

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