

Livingstone Parish Church
Sunday 7th August 2022
Rev. Ross Mitchell

Hymn 1 MP 651

The kingdom of God is justice and joy,

for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice,
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to His cross,
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer His call,
and all things cry, 'Glory!' to God all-in-all!

Bryn Rees (1911-1983)
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Hymn 2 MP 680

There's a song for all the children

that makes the heavens ring,
a song that even angels
can never never sing;
they praise Him as their maker
and see Him glorified,
but we can call Him Saviour
because for us He died.

There's a place for all the children
where Jesus reigns in love,
a place of joy and freedom
that nothing can remove;
a home that is more friendly
than any home we know,
where Jesus makes us welcome
because He loves us so.

There's a friend for all the children
to guide us every day,
whose care is always faithful
and never fades away;
there's no-one else so loyal –
His friendship stays the same;
He knows us and He loves us,
and Jesus is His name.

Albert Midlane (1825-1909)
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Hymn 3 CH4 251

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.

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 Word to them.
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord...

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend 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...

Daniel Schutte (b. 1947)

Hymn 4 MP 743

We'll walk the land with hearts on fire;

and every step will be a prayer.
Hope is rising, new day dawning;
sound of singing fills the air.

Two thousand years, and still the flame
is burning bright across the land.
Hearts are waiting, longing, aching,
for awakening once again.
*Let the flame burn brighter
in the heart of the darkness,
turning night to glorious day.*
*Let the song grow louder,
as our love grows stronger;
let it shine! let it shine!*

We'll walk for truth, speak out for love;
in Jesus' name we shall be strong,
to lift the fallen, to save the children,
to fill the nation with Your song.
Let the flame...

Let the flame...

Let the flame...

let it shine! let it shine!
let it shine! let it shine!

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Hymn 5 CH4 511

Your hand, O God, has guided
your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear on every page;
your people owned your goodness,
and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Your heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest as to least;
they summoned all to hasten
and share the great King's feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in every deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Through many a day of darkness,
through many a scene of strife,
the faithful few fought bravely
to guard the nation's life.
Their Gospel of redemption,
sin pardoned, life restored,
was all in this enfolded:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Your mercy will not fail us,
nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us,
your victory shall be won;
by mortals and by angels
your name shall be adored,
and this shall be their anthem:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

*Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891)

Exeunt *(Sing Twice)*

**May the peace of the Lord Christ go
with you,**
wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness,
protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing
at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing
once again into our doors.

(Celtic Daily Prayer)

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