

Livingstone Parish Church
Sunday 29th January 2023
Rev. Gordon Murray

Hymn 1 CH4 57

The Lord doth reign, and clothed is he
with majesty most bright;
his works do show him clothed to be,
and girt about with might.

The world is also stablishèd,
that it cannot depart,
thy throne is fixed of old, and thou
from everlasting art.

The floods, O Lord, have lifted up,
they lifted up their voice;
the floods have lifted up their waves,
and made a mighty noise.

But yet the Lord, that is on high,
is more of might by far
than noise of many waters is,
or great sea - billows are.

Thy testimonies every one
in faithfulness excel;
and holiness for ever, Lord,
thine house becometh well.

Psalm 93, *The Scottish Psalter*, 1929

Hymn 2 CH4 465

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought in the day or the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, be thou my true Word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father: thine own I would be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Irish, 8th Century
translated Mary Elizabeth Byrne
(1880-1931)
revised *Eleanor Henrietta Hull
(1860-1935)

Hymn 3 MP 393

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare Him room
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns!
let all their songs employ
while fields and floods
rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the earth with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness,
the wonders of His love,
the wonders of His love,
the wonders, the wonders of His love.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

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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