

**Stevenston Churches of Scotland**  
**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024**  
**Rev. John Carrick**  
**Shared Worship @ Livingstone**

**Hymn 1 CH4 129**

**The Lord is King! lift up your voice!**

Let earth and all the heavens rejoice.  
From world to world the joy shall ring,  
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

The Lord is King! who then shall dare  
resist his will, distrust his care,  
or murmur at his wise decrees,  
or doubt his royal promises?

The Lord is King! child of the dust,  
the judge of all the earth is just;  
holy and true are all his ways:  
let every creature speak his praise.

Come, make your wants, your burdens  
known;  
Christ will present them at the throne;  
for he is at the Father's side,  
the Man of Love, the Crucified.

One Lord, one empire, all secures;  
he reigns, and life and death are yours:  
through earth and heaven one song shall  
ring,  
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

Josiah Conder (1789-1855)  
from *Psalms 148*

**Hymn 2 JP 589**

***Our God is a great big God***

*Our God is a great big God*  
*Our God is a great big God*  
*And he holds us in his hands.*

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*And he holds us in his hands.*

He's higher than a skyscraper  
And he's deeper than a submarine  
He's wider than the universe  
And beyond my wildest dreams  
And he's known me  
And he's loved me  
Since before the world began  
How wonderful to be a part of God's  
amazing plan

*Our God is a great big God...*

*Our God is a great big God...*

He's higher than a skyscraper...

*Our God is a great big God...*

*Our God is a great big God...*

*Our God is a great big God...*

And he holds us in his hands,  
and he holds us in his hands,  
and he holds us in his hands,  
and he holds us in his hands.

Nigel Hemming & Jo Hemming  
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**Hymn 3 MP 442**

**Lord of the Church, we pray for our  
renewing:**

Christ over all, our undivided aim;  
fire of the Spirit, burn for our enduing,  
wind of the Spirit, fan the living flame!  
We turn to Christ amid our fear and  
failing,  
the will that lacks the courage to be free,  
the weary labours, all but unavailing,  
to bring us nearer what a church should  
be.

Lord of the Church, we seek a Father's  
blessing,  
a true repentance and a faith restored,  
a swift obedience, and a new possessing,  
filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord!  
We turn to Christ from all our restless  
striving,  
unnumbered voices with a single prayer –  
the living water for our souls' reviving,  
in Christ to live, and love and serve and  
care.

Lord of the Church, we long for our  
uniting,  
true to one calling, by one vision stirred;  
one cross proclaiming and one creed  
reciting,  
one in the truth of Jesus and His word!  
So lead us on; till toil and trouble ended,  
one Church triumphant one new song shall  
sing,  
to praise His glory, risen and ascended,  
Christ over all, the everlasting King!

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**Hymn 4 MP 54**

***Bind us together, Lord,***  
*bind us together*  
*with cords that cannot be broken;*  
*bind us together, Lord,*  
*bind us together,*  
*O bind us together with love.*

There is only one God,  
there is only one King,  
there is only one body –  
that is why we sing:  
*Bind us together...*

Made for the glory of God,  
purchased by His precious Son.  
Born with the right to be clean,  
for Jesus the victory has won.  
*Bind us together...*

You are the family of God,  
You are the promise divine,  
You are God's chosen desire,  
You are the glorious new wine.  
*Bind us together...*

Bob Gillman (b. 1946)  
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**Hymn 5 CH4 448**

**Lord, the light of your love is shining**

in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,  
set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me:

*Shine, Jesus, shine,*

*fill this land with the Father's glory;*

*blaze, Spirit, blaze,*

*set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river, flow,*

*flood the nations with grace and mercy;*

*send forth your word, Lord,*

*and let there be light!*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
from the shadows into your radiance;  
by your blood I may enter your brightness,  
search me, try me, consume all my  
darkness.

Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine...*

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,  
so our faces display your likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory,  
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine...*

Graham Kendrick (*b.* 1950)

**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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