

# Welcome to Worship

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## New Laigh Kirk

A caring welcoming church at the heart  
of Kilmarnock reaching out to you

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021

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## Welcome

Welcome to worship. We are delighted you are able to join us today and hope you enjoy worshipping with us through your on line connection.

We welcome Rev Alastair Symington who will lead worship today.

This order of service is posted to help you with the live stream.

Please ensure you log on through the New Laigh Kirk Website  
<http://www.nlk.church/> and click the button watch live Sunday 11.00am.

May God richly bless you sharing with us in this way.

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Hymn 52

How lovely is thy dwelling-place,  
O Lord of hosts, to me!  
The tabernacles of thy grace,  
how pleasant, Lord, they be!

My thirsty soul longs vehemently,  
yea faints, thy courts to see:  
my very heart and flesh cry out,  
O living God, for thee.

Behold, the sparrow findeth out  
an house wherein to rest;  
the swallow also for herself  
hath found her place to nest;

Even thine own altars, where she safe  
her young ones forth may bring,  
O thou almighty Lord of hosts,  
who art my God and King.

Blest are they in thy house who dwell,  
they ever give thee praise.  
And blest are they whose strength thou art  
in whose heart are thy ways.

## Prayer of Approach

Old Testament: Isaiah 61 verses 1 – 7

Anthem: A new commandment

New Testament Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 2 verses 13 – 17

New Testament Gospel: St John 15 verses 1 – 17

## Hymn 549

How deep the Father's love for us,  
how vast beyond all measure,  
that he should give his only Son  
to make a wretch his treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss;  
the Father turns his face away,  
as wounds which mar the chosen One  
bring many souls to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,  
my sin upon his shoulders;  
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held him there,  
my pardon he accomplished;  
his dying breath has brought me life—  
I know that 'it is finished'.

I will not boast in anything,  
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
his death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from all of this?  
I cannot give an answer;  
but this I know with all my heart,  
his wounds have paid my ransom.

## Prayer of Intercession

## Hymn 543

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts.*  
*Shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
make us your living voice.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts.*  
*Shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Longing for food, many are hungry,  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts.*  
*Shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

*Christ, be our light!*

*Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Many the gifts, many the people,  
Many the hearts, that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

*Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Sermon

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 478  
Behold the amazing gift of love  
the Father hath bestowed  
on us, in calling us his own,  
the children of our God!

Concealed as yet this honour lies,  
by this dark world unknown,  
a world that knew not when he came,  
even God's eternal Son.

High is the rank we now possess;  
but higher we shall rise,  
though what we shall hereafter be  
is hid from mortal eyes.

Our souls, we know, when he appears,

shall bear his image bright;  
for all his glory, full disclosed,  
shall open to our sight.

## The Benediction

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