



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 14th January 2018 Epiphany 2

MORNING WORSHIP

led by our Ministers

Organist: Graham Nash

If you are able please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk ()*

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

***Hymn 712:** All people that on earth do dwell
During which the Bible is placed in the pulpit



Opening Responses

Leader: Come and see our God,

All: The God of love and compassion

Leader: Come and see our God,

All: The God of beauty and truth

Leader: Come and see our God

All: The God of kindness and generosity

Leader: The God who calls us one and all

All: The God who receives us with open arms.

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Prayers of Praise and Confession, Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Notices

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

All Age Talk

***Hymn:** As the deer pants for the water

**As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship you.**

*You alone are my strength and shield,
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.*

**I want you more than gold or silver,
Only you can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.**

You alone are my strength and shield...

**You're my Friend and you are my Brother,
Even though you are King.
I love you more than any other,
So much more than anything.**

*You alone are my strength and shield,
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.*

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*We remain standing for a Prayer of Blessing for Junior Church and then children and young people
leave for their time together. Babies and toddlers are welcome in The Crèche.*

Reading: Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24 OT 524
this morning's reader is Cally Foster

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**

***HYMN:** O God, you search me and you know me

**O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

**You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.**

**Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.**

**Although your Spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

**For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

Bernadette Farrell CCL 257120

Reading: John 1:43-51 NT p.78

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Sermon *followed by silent reflection*

* **Hymn 558:** Will you come and follow me

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Offering is received followed by the * **Prayer of Dedication**

**remaining standing we sing*

Hymn 530: Living God, your joyful spirit

***Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen** *All Standing*

*Join us for coffee, tea or a cold drink in the Alfred Ellis Hall
where the Fairtrade stall is open.*

