



TRINITY
CHURCH
A B E R D E E N

MORNING WORSHIP

11.00 AM

Sunday 30th April 2017

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to our morning worship. We're glad you're with us today. Please speak to someone wearing a Welcome Team name badge if you require assistance in any way.

AS WE BEGIN...

We use the few minutes at the start of the service to reflect quietly as our musicians play, and to prepare individually to join in worship. This booklet contains the words we will say and sing and pray together.

BIBLES

Please make use of the Bibles provided at the entrance table, or the small tables at the back.

CRÈCHE

A supervised crèche is provided for under 3s in the Board Room (first floor foyer). We ask one parent or carer to provide a mobile number, and we ask you to keep it on silent throughout the service in case you are needed.

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Sunday School is provided for age 3 upwards and all primary school age children. It begins each week at 10.45am. The children then join us for the first part of the service and leave for age appropriate classes early in the service. Secondary school age children remain with us throughout. An outline to accompany the sermon is in this booklet, and 'Sermon Notes for Kids' are also available from the back table.

OFFERING

This is collected during our service for the work of the church. We give to The Cruden Trust, a registered Scottish Charity which administers the church's finances. Information for tax efficient and regular giving is available from the table.

TEA & COFFEE

This is served immediately after the service at the back of the Ballroom. If you are new we would love to meet you. Please join us if you can.

EVENING WORSHIP

We meet for evening worship again at 5.00pm (details are at the back).

*Contact details for the church leadership and staff team are on the reverse.
We would be delighted to hear from you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEAD: Sing a new song to the LORD,
Sing to the LORD, all the earth,
Sing to the LORD, bless his name.

*ALL: Proclaim his salvation day by day,
Tell his glory among the nations.*

(from Psalm 96)

In Christ alone my hope is found

he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and
storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took frail flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied -
for every sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine -
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Keith & Kristyn Getty

PRAYER

with confession of sin (said together):

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden,
we confess that we have followed too much the devices
and desires of our own hearts rather than your will,
and have offended against your holy laws in our selfishness.
We have consistently turned in on ourselves, focusing on our own interests,
attending to our own ambitions and wishes without sufficient thought for others
and for your will.

Cleanse our hearts through the blood of your Son,
give us your Holy Spirit that we may love you anew,
and magnify your holy name, through Christ Jesus our Lord,

AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDONING GRACE

“Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives transgression? ...

You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.

You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and
hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.”

(from Micah 7:18-19)

CHILDREN'S ADDRESS

CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who, with the Father and the Son, is worshipped and glorified, and who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

AMEN.

The Nicene Creed originated in 325AD.

It was written to answer heresies which denied the Trinity and which denied that Jesus was both God and Man.

BAPTISM

Daniel William Traynor

“For you, little child, Jesus Christ has come, he has fought, he has suffered. For you he entered the shadow of Gethsemane and the horror of Calvary. For you he uttered the cry, “It is finished!” For you he rose from the dead and ascended into heaven and there he intercedes—for you, little child, even though you do not know it. But in this way the word of the gospel becomes true: “We love him, because he first loved us.”

The Aaronic Blessing, sung together:

The Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Before the throne of God above

I have a strong, a perfect plea,
a great high priest, whose name is love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is written on his hands,
my name is hidden in his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands
no power can force me to depart,
no power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
I look to heaven, and see him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God, the just, is satisfied
to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! The risen Lamb,
my perfect, spotless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself, I cannot die,
my soul is purchased by his blood;
my life is safe with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

Charity L. Bancroft

NOTICES

SERMON NOTES

THE SON AND THE SEED

Luke 8:1-18

Introduction: *great expectations?*

1. Don't forget what life with Jesus is like

- Divided response
- Delayed fruit
- Disappointing results
- Dramatic harvest

2. Don't forget what life with Jesus requires

God's word to God's world! In one name alone

the truth must be told, the Saviour made known;
since Jesus has suffered and died for our sin,
God's kingdom is offered for all to come in.

Since God first loved us, we grow by his love;
the word of the cross shows mountains can move:
it links every nation, it leads to one song;
in Christ our salvation the weak are made strong.

Encircling the earth by prayer and in praise
we witness new birth, new hope and new ways;
where churches are sowing the seed of God's word
his kingdom is growing, his harvest assured.

One Father of light, one Saviour for all,
one Spirit, ignite your church by your call;
in faith and repentance our hearts are your throne;
your word makes the entrance, your love is the crown

*Christopher Idle
Tune: Laudate Dominum*

OFFERING

“And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19

As a church family we give thoughtfully and generously in response to God's lavish love for us. Many give electronically and so will simply pass the bag along the row. Details of how to give regularly and tax-efficiently can be found on the table at the back.

If you are visiting us today, please do not feel under any obligation to contribute.

PRAYER

with the Lord's Prayer (said together):

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

AMEN.

BENEDICTION

**May the peace of God our
heavenly Father**
and the grace of Christ the risen
Son,
and the fellowship of God the
Spirit
keep our hearts and minds
within his love.

*And to him be praise for his
glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the
heights of heaven.
We declare the name of the
Lamb once slain:
Christ eternal, the King of
kings!*

May this peace which passes
understanding,
and this grace which makes us
what we are,
and this fellowship of his
communion
make us one in spirit and in
heart.

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Stuart Townend & Keith Getty



WHO IS LIKE THE LORD?
NONE CAN COMPARE

TEN WAYS GOD IS DIFFERENT FROM US

(AND WHY THAT'S A GOOD THING)

Starting 7th May

*What the Bible
teaches about
our limitless,
infinitely
dependable
God*

Trinity Church

Northern Hotel

Sunday evenings

5pm



INFORMATION & DIARY DATES

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Updated booklets (*A Guide to Membership*) are available on the table at the back and anyone interested is encouraged to take one away. Membership is an important way of deepening commitment to the church family - you to us and us to you. Please speak to one of the elders.

TRUTH GROUP

Our young people meet this evening at 6.30pm in the Mackenzie Room, after our evening service at 5pm: *Does the Bible say anything about exams?*

LIES CHRISTIANS BELIEVE

We meet to pray together this Thursday 4th May, 7.30-8.30pm, Northern Hotel Board Room. We will have a short devotion on *Lies Christians Believe* to help us as we pray.

EASTER THANKSGIVING OFFERING

The offering we took up on Easter Sunday for the work of Scripture Union Scotland will remain open for one more Sunday (7th May will be the final Sunday for any gifts). Please collect a Gift Aid form if appropriate and all other relevant information from the table at the back.

NONE LIKE HIM

There are copies of Jen Wilkin's excellent book available from the table at the back. Special price of £5 a copy. This book will accompany the evening sermon series beginning next week and is a superb treatment of where our lives go wrong when we try to do the things only God can do.

GIVE US REST

There are some more copies available at the back of David's sermon from last year on Sundays.

NEW WEBSITE

We are joined today by Franklin & Beth Beaver who help IPC congregations produce excellent digital media. They will take video and photos at both our services. For data protection purposes, please let David know if you do not wish to appear in any images we may use.

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