



T R I N I T Y
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A B E R D E E N

MORNING WORSHIP

11.00 AM

The Lord's Day

19th August 2018

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

These are provided on each seat. Please fill in the *Connect* card inside if you would like more information about Trinity. Large print Bibles are available from the entrance table.

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. There is space for sermon notes inside 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 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: “I will exalt you, O LORD, for you lifted me out of the depths
and did not let my enemies gloat over me.
O LORD my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.
O LORD you brought me up from the grave;
you spared me from going down into the pit.

ALL: *“Sing to the LORD, you saints of his;
praise his holy name.
For his anger lasts only a moment,
but his favour lasts a lifetime;
weeping may remain for a night,
but rejoicing comes in the morning.”*

(Psalm 30:1-5)

To him who chose us first,
before the world began;
to him who bore sin’s curse
to save rebellious man;
to him who formed our hearts anew,
is endless praise and glory due.

Let every saint above,
and angel round the throne,
for ever bless and love
the sacred Three-in-One;
so heaven shall raise its honours high,
when earth and time grow old and die.

The Father’s love shall run
through our immortal songs;
we bring to God the Son
hosannas on our tongues;
our lips address the Spirit’s name,
with equal praise and zeal the same.

*Isaac Watts
Tune: Darwell*

PRAYER

with confession of sin (said together):

Gracious Father,
We are unable with our works to redeem ourselves
from the power of sin, death and hell.
Our transgressions are many, and often seem to overpower us.
But you have given us your Son, Jesus Christ, who is much stronger.
Forgive us afresh this day, we pray, and receive our heartfelt thanks;
for in Jesus, and through his death on the cross,
you have freed us from sin, death and hell.
Without cost to us, and out of pure grace,
you have granted us all that belongs to him.
For this we rejoice, praise, and thank you.

AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDONING GRACE

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.”

(Psalm 103:2-4)

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS

The Heidelberg Catechism (Lord's Day 1)

Q. *What is your only comfort in life and death?*

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

NOTICES

O Lord, the clouds are gathering,
the fire of judgement burns.
How we have fallen!
O Lord, you stand appalled to see
your laws of love so scorned
and lives so broken.

*Have mercy, Lord, (have mercy, Lord)
forgive us, Lord, (forgive us, Lord)
restore us, Lord; revive your church again.
Let justice flow, (let justice flow)
like rivers, (like rivers)
and righteousness like a never-failing stream.
(last time only) A never-failing stream.*

O Lord, over the nations now,
where is the dove of peace?
Her wings are broken,
O Lord, while precious children starve
the tools of war increase,
their bread is stolen.

O Lord, when powers are poised to flood
our streets with hate and fear,
we must awaken!
O Lord, let love reclaim the lives
that sin would sweep away,
and let your kingdom come!

Yet, Lord, your glorious cross shall tower
triumphant in this land,
evil confounding;
through the fire,
your suffering church displays
the glories of her Christ,
praises resounding.

Graham Kendrick

SERMON NOTES

A WHOLE BOOK ABOUT ONE WORD

Jonah 1:1-17

(Page 774; Large print 920)

Jonah and the ...

Sometimes God's people go to great lengths to:

1. Ignore his word
2. Escape his presence
3. Fight his character

Lord you have searched me, fully you know me,
sitting or rising, my thoughts you perceive.
Travelling or sleeping, thinking or speaking,
you know completely; I trust and believe.

*Search me, O Father, my fears please gather;
test me and know me, my heart and my ways.
See what is sinful, then make me grateful,
lead me, Lord Jesus, throughout endless days.*

Fleeing your presence, keeping my distance,
Spirit of God, dwell in each hiding place.
Soaring emotions, flying o'er oceans,
your hand will find me and grip me by grace.

Longing for darkness; 'Light, change to blackness!
Maybe the night-time will hide me from God?'
Lord of creation, calm my frustration;
teach me to live by the light of your word.

*Search me, O Father, my thoughts reorder;
test me and know me, my heart and my ways.
Cleanse what is sinful, then make me grateful,
lead me, Lord Jesus, to see endless days.*

Hidden in womb, tight; my soul in your sight,
fearfully formed and most wondrously made.
Woven together, guarded forever;
all of my days written down then displayed.

Your thoughts are precious, endlessly numerous.
Were I to count them, far more than the sand!
Each day I waken: I'm not forsaken.
Enemies threaten, your downfall they plan!

*Search us, O Father, our strong defender;
test us and know us, our hearts and our ways.
Change what is sinful, then make us grateful,
lead us, Lord Jesus, O Ancient of Days!*

*Psalm 139
Peter Dickson*

OFFERING

'Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD.'

(1 Chronicles 29:9)

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.

God of grace, amazing wonder,
Irresistible and free;
Oh, the miracle of mercy,
Jesus reaches down to me.
God of grace, I stand in wonder,
As my God restores my soul:
His own blood has paid my ransom,
Awesome cost to make me whole.

God of grace, who loved and knew me
Long before the world began;
Sent my Saviour down from heaven:
Perfect God and perfect man
God of grace, I trust in Jesus,
I'm accepted as His own.
Every day new grace sustains me
As I lean on Him alone.

God of grace, I stand astounded,
Cleansed, forgiven and secure.
All my fears are now confounded,
And my hope is ever sure.
God of grace, now crowned in glory,
Where one day I'll see your face;
And forever I'll adore you
In Your everlasting grace.

Keith Getty & Jonathan Rae

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The LORD turn his face towards you and give you peace.

AMEN.

THE WEEK AHEAD

TODAY

2.30-4.30pm, Drop-in at the Manse

Tea and coffee with the Norgates

Evening worship, 5.00pm, Hotel Ballroom

Life in Cambodia and beyond (Jonathan & Zoë Norgate)

MONDAY 20TH

Sunday School Teachers' Meeting, the Manse, 7.30pm

Prayer and planning for the term ahead

WEDNESDAY 22ND

Building Strategy Group meeting with Architectural Design Team, 5.30pm

THURSDAY 23RD

Ladies' summer evening walks, 7.30pm

Please contact Rachael Green on 07720 237156 if you have any questions or require a lift

SUNDAY 26TH

Morning worship, with Sunday School, 11.00am, Hotel Ballroom

Jonah 1:1-17, In the eye of the storm

Evening worship, 5.00pm, Hotel Ballroom

1 Samuel 19

INFORMATION & DIARY DATES

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER MEETING

Our next prayer gathering for the whole church family is Thursday 6th September in the Hotel Board Room, 7.30-8.30pm.

PRESBYTERY VISIT

IPC Presbytery is holding its September meeting in Aberdeen at The Mission, Friday 14th-Saturday 15th. If you would be willing to host some of our visitors on those dates, please speak to Nicola Fitch; if able to help with food/serving in any way please do contact Trevor & Alison Wyllie (

CAN YOU HELP?

We would like to add some new people to the Welcome Team rota, and also to the Sound Team rota - might you be able to spare some time on Sundays to help in these ways? Please speak to Nicola or Ben if you would like to join the WT, and to James McAlister (media@trinityaberdeen.org.uk) about the ST.

SAFEGUARDING

According to our new guidelines, all those helping on the Welcome Team should fill in a PVG form for Trinity Church. If you haven't yet done this, please ask Nicola Fitch for a form.

NORTH EAST SCOTLAND GOSPEL TRAINING

A new initiative beginning on Monday evenings at Gilcomston, Hebron and Deeside, a weekly course for any who are interested in deepening their faith. Brochures available from the table.

TRINITY CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY

A reminder once again to secure 16th-18th November 2018 in your diaries for our church family weekend away. Andy Upton from Knighton Evangelical Church, Leicester, England, will be teaching the book of Hosea to us. More information will follow soon.

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