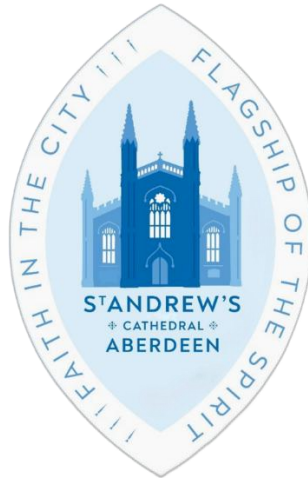


# St Andrew Cathedral Church

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**Welcome to St Andrew Cathedral Church, Aberdeen**

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## **Sung Eucharist**

**LENT II**

10.45am Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026

Mass Setting: Highbury Mass – John Marsh

Conductor: Douglas Mowatt

Director of Music: Colin Stuart

Celebrant: The Provost & Preacher: Dr Henna Cundhill



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## **Introit Music**

**Opening Hymn:** NEH 238 New every morning is the love

## **Collect for the Second Sunday of Lent**

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **First Lesson:** Genesis 12.1-4a (NRSVA)

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

## **The Psalm** NEH 507 vv. 2&3

## **The Epistle:** Romans 4.1-5 (NRSVA)

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**Gradual Hymn:** NEH 339 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

*We remain standing for the Proclamation of the Holy Gospel.*

**Gospel:** Matthew 4.1-11 (NRSVA)

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

### **SERMON, THE CREED & THE INTERCESSIONS**

**We continue in our prayers** for Emma Gray, Sue Glenarthur; Jane Cameron; Alison Fuller; Shona Mackay; Mark Walker; Joan Foster; Elodie Bressers; Lekha Abraham, Alistair MacDonald, Jean and Alan Brice, Martin Brice, Sydney Myers, Anna Lees, Barbara Duff, Timothy Velavan, Gillian Adger, Stephen Taylor and all those who asked for prayers.

**We pray for God's blessings** upon those who celebrate their Birthdays and Anniversaries this week especially remembering Kelechi Nwajiuba (1<sup>st</sup>) who celebrates his birthday, today.

**We pray for God's comfort** to surround the family and friends of those who grieve the loss of their loved ones recently and those whose Years Mind is this week.

## THE PEACE & THE OFFERTORY

**Offertory Hymn:** NEH 439 Praise to the Holiest in the height

## PRAYERS OF OFFERING

### ***The Great Thanksgiving***

SANCTUS and BENEDICTUS (*Sung by the Choir*)

### ***The Sharing of the Bread and the Wine***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & AGNUS DEI (*Sung by the Choir*)

*Please come forward to the altar rails to partake of the **Tokens of Love** in the bread and the wine. If you prefer, please come forward for a **Blessing**.*

COMMUNION MOTET: Lead me Lord -Wesley

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

**NOTICES:** Please remember in your prayers the daughter of Chimaobi to be baptised. We look forward to Mothering Sunday Celebrations on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 2026.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** NEH 476 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

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