Saint Andrews Cathedral, Aberdeen (SACA)

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Welcome to Saint Andrew Cathedral Church, Aberdeen

Sung Eucharist

NINTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.45am Sunday 11th October 2026

Mass Setting: Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

Choir Conductor: Douglas Mowat

Director of Music: Colin Stuart

Preacher: Revd Dr Emma Percy

Celebrant: The Revd Adewale Oluwole

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Preserving Heritage I Promoting Faith I Transforming Lives

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Opening Hymn: NEH 443 Rejoice the Lord is King

We continue in our Green Liturgy Book

Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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.**

First Lesson: Exodus 32.1-14 (ESVUK)

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, "Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." So Aaron said to them, "Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord." And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" And the Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you." But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it for ever.'" And the Lord relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

The Psalm Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me.*

THE LORD is my shepherd; * therefore can I lack nothing.
2 He shall feed me in a green pasture, * and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
3 He shall convert my soul, * and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; * for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; * thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6 Surely[1] thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

The Epistle: Philippians 1.21-30 (ESVUK)
Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have laboured side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practise these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gradual Hymn: NEH 394 Let all the world in every corner sing

We remain standing for the Proclamation of the Holy Gospel.

Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16 (ESVUK)
And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

THE SERMON

THE CREED

THE INTERCESSIONS

We continue in our prayers for Wendy, Emma Gray; Mark Walker; Joan Foster; Elodie Bressers; Alistair MacDonald, Sydney Myers, Anna Lees, Barbara Duff, Timothy Velavan, Gillian Adger, Stephen Taylor, Doreen Sim, Lisa Allan, Mary Howell, Neil Allan, Craig, Steve Russell, Jonathan Harris, Sarah Watson and all those who asked for prayers.

We pray for God's blessings upon those who celebrate their Birthdays & Anniversaries this week, especially remembering Ugochukwu Chijioke (4th); Chinenye Enyioma-Iwuanyanwu (5th); Ndidi Odeh (6th), Adewale Oluwole (6th); Frank Sheldon (11th) and Marianne Thomson (12th).

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

THE PEACE & THE OFFERTORY

Offertory Hymn: NEH 381 Jerusalem the golden

PRAYERS OF OFFERING

The Great Thanksgiving

SANCTUS and BENEDICTUS (*Choir*)

The Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & AGNUS DEI (*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: *Fairest Lord Jesu* - Silesian melody

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

NOTICES: On Monday of this week, Amu and I were at the Fall Field Tour of Duty Banquet in Hopeton House, Edinburgh joined by the Senior members of the British Army, Members of the House of Lords and Estates linked to the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company in London. We were showered with praises and thanksgiving for the way, you, the Cathedral Family welcomed and blessed our friends and Pilgrims from Massachusetts.

We did it in 1784 and we do it in 2026. Our Preacher Campbell Thomson made it abundantly clear that 'All things are possible with God' and our Guest Speaker Barney Crockett confirmed it with evidence from History, Tradition and Reason.

Recessional Hymn: NEH 355 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round

DISMISSAL

Final Voluntary