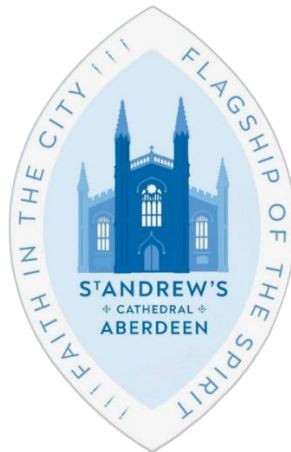


St Andrew Cathedral Church

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Welcome to St Andrew Cathedral Church

Good morning and welcome to our Sung Eucharist. It is good that you are here to worship God, to experience God's love in the Word and the Sacraments, the tokens of love in Bread and Wine.

Please stay behind for Refreshments in the John Skinner Centre, afterwards. If you are a visitor, you are very welcome. If you are new in Aberdeen, we hope you will make this your home for worship.

Please complete the Green Paper and hand it to the Stewards for us to keep our records up to date.

Sung Eucharist

10.45am Sunday the 21st April 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Organ Scholar: Ben Williams

Treble Choir Conductor: Emma Bell

Sacristan: George Macallan

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

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Opening Hymn: NEH 369 Happy are they, they that love God (t BINCHESTER)

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Collect for fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Acts 4.5-12 (NRSVA)

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, ‘By what power or by what name did you do this?’ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, ‘Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

“the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.”

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.’

The Psalm PSALM 23 *Dominus regit me.* Ch 246

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 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: 1 John 3.16-26 (NRSVA)

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Gradual Hymn: NEH 282 Faithful shepherd feed me († PASTOR PASTORUM)

We remain standing for the Proclamation of the Holy Gospel.

Gospel: John 10.11-18 (ESVUK)

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

THE CREED & THE INTERCESSIONS

We continue in our prayers for King Charles, Princess Kate, Kirsty Stuart; Sue Glenarthur, Shona Mackay; Helena Thomas; Alma Caldwell; Norma Sim; Joan Foster, Elodie Bressers and all those who asked for prayers.

We pray for God's blessings upon those who celebrate their Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

Birthday: Chidirim Nwajuiba (22nd); Fasua Olijah (24th); Jackie Hughes (24th); Catherine Dongo (24th); Tonye Dikibo (26th); Colin Hughes (26th)

Wedding Anniversary: Nonso and Oge Ibenegbu (25th); Ajay and Joyce Clement (26th)

We pray for God's comfort to surround the family and friends of Florence Cal-Anglia (26th) whose years mind is this week. We remembering also all who loved Nnenna Agatha Onlyiwara, Oge's sister.

THE PEACE & THE OFFERTORY

Offertory Hymn: NEH 458 The Lord, my pasture shall prepare (t SURRY)

PRAYERS OF OFFERING

The Great Thanksgiving

SANCTUS and BENEDICTUS (*Sung*)

The Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & AGNUS DEI (*Sung*)

*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**.*

Motet:

Post Communion Hymn: NEH 463 Thine for ever God of love (tii NEWINGTON)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

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