



ST ANDREW'S
* CATHEDRAL *
ABERDEEN

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Andrew

We hope that you enjoy worshipping with us today. Please join us for tea and coffee after the service. If you are visiting, please do stay and ask a member of the congregation for directions.

SUNG EUCHARIST

10.45 am, Sunday 15 September 2019

The Holy Cross

Celebrant and Preacher: Very Rev'd Isaac Poobalan

Organist and Director of Music: Professor Andrew Morrisson

Mass Setting

Charles Wood, *Short Communion Service in the Phrygian Mode*

Organ voluntary

CHH Parry, *Chorale Fantasia on an Old English Tune*

'When I survey the wondrous Cross'

Processional Hymn 707 (A&M)

(Words: George William Kitchin, mathematician and priest, edited by Michael Robert Newbolt. Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson, *Crucifer*. Nicholson was organist at Westminster Abbey and founder of what became the Royal School of Church Music)

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

- 1 Come, brethren, follow where our Captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ the Son of God: [Refrain]
- 2 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee: [Refrain]
- 3 Let every race and every language tell
Of him who saves our souls from death and hell: [Refrain]
- 4 From farthest regions let them homage bring,
And on his cross adore their Saviour King: [Refrain]
- 5 Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace: [Refrain]
- 6 For thy blest cross which doth for all atone
Creation's praises rise before thy throne: [Refrain]

(Verse 2 above is based on John 12:32)

Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Numbers 21:4-9 (NRSV)

read by Regina Jäschke

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Psalm 22 (vv. 22-27) Chant Smart

22 I will declare thy Name | unto my | brethren : in the midst of the
congre|gation | will I | praise thee.

23 O praise the Lord | ye that | fear him : magnify him all ye of the seed of
Jacob, and fear him | all ye | seed of | Israel.

(2nd Part) 24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low e|state of
the | poor : he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called | unto | him
he | heard him.

25 My praise is of thee in the great | congre|gation : my vows will I perform in
the | sight of | them that | fear him.

26 The poor shall | eat and be | satisfied : they that seek after the Lord shall
praise him, your | heart shall | live for | ever.

(2nd Part) 27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be
turned | unto the | Lord : and all the kindreds of the | nations shall | worship
be|fore him.

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.
A|--|men.

Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV)

read by Florence Cal-Anglia

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gradual Hymn 95 (NEH)

(Words: Isaac Watts; he was an ‘Independent’ Protestant minister and a prolific hymn-writer, who by the time of his death in 1748 had published over 800 hymns. Music: Edward Miller, *Rockingham*, adapted from an earlier tune. The tune title refers to a friend and patron of Edward Miller, the Marquis of Rockingham, who served twice as Great Britain’s prime minister)

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through his blood.

4 His dying crimson like a robe
Spreads o’er his body on the Tree;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.

5 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Gospel: John 3:13-17 (NRSV)

Jesus said to Nicodemus: ‘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.’

Offertory Hymn 76 (NEH)

(Words: Charles Everest, American Episcopalian priest from Connecticut; the hymn is taken from his volume *Visions of Death and other poems*. Music: old German melody taken from *Lochamer Gesangbuch*, 1450, arrangement by F. Mendelssohn)

- 1 Take up thy cross, the Saviour said,
If thou wouldst my disciple be;
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after me.
- 2 Take up thy cross, let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart and nerve thine arm.
- 3 Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
The Lord for thee the cross endured,
To save thy soul from death and hell.
- 4 Take up thy cross then in his strength,
And calmly every danger brave,
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
And lead to victory o'er the grave.

5 Take up thy cross and follow Christ,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
For only he who bears the cross
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

6 To thee, great Lord, the One in Three,
All praise forevermore ascend;
O grant us in our home to see
The heavenly life that knows no end.

Post-Communion Hymn 379 (NEH)

(Words: John Bowring, who in a varied life was an MP and Governor of Hong Kong; he was the author of several hymns. Music: Walter Whinfield, *Wychbold*)

1 In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time:
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

Organ Voluntary:

J.S. Bach, *Prelude in C minor BWV546*

LET US PRAY

In the Cathedral community we pray for Helena Thomas, Yvonne Craik, Moira Paterson, Jean Souter, Ravi Garg and Gordon Smith.

We praise God for those who mark a blessing this week with a birthday or an anniversary.

We remember those whom we love but see no longer, and those whose year's mind occurs this week.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania, and the Most Rev'd Dr Maimbo Mndolwa, Archbishop of Tanzania and Bishop of Tanga.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St James' Church, Aberdeen, and for their Priest in Charge, the Rev'd Dr Ruth Green, and Honorary Assistant Priest, Rev'd Canon Dr Ruth Edwards.

In the Porvoo Prayer Diary we pray for the Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry in the Church of Ireland and its Bishop, the Right Rev'd Patrick Rooke; and for the Diocese of Bath and Wells in the Church of England and its Bishops, the Right Rev'd Peter Hancock and the Right Rev'd Ruth Worsley.

EVENTS AND SERVICES

- 17 September **The Fellowship Group** meets in the John Skinner Centre on Tuesdays at 6pm for discussion and conversation.
- 18 September **Wednesday Holy Communion**, 10 am.
- 20 September **Melting Pot Collective & Friends**, Supporting Children in Crisis
- 21 September **Cathedral at Noon**, 12 pm: Aberdeen Vocal Ensemble, Choral music from the recent Scottish tour.
- 21 September **Choral Evensong** at 4 pm, sung by RSCM Scottish Voices
- 22 September St Matthew: **Holy Communion** at 8 am.
Sung Eucharist (choral) at 10.45 am.
No Evensong
- 25 September Friends of Vellore – **Fundraising Concert** by Aberdeen City Music School and Indian Dance by Ms Aadhya Regmi. Keynote speaker: Prof JV Peter, Director of Christian Medical College, Vellore, South India. Free entry and donations welcome. Refreshments will be served after the concert

CHORAL EVENSONG

Freshers' Choral Evensong, 6.30 pm
Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

Organist and Director of Music: Professor Andrew Morrisson

Organ voluntary before the service: C.V. Stanford, *Chorale Prelude on a theme of Orlando Gibbons* (Song 34 - The Angels' Song)

Introit: If ye love me - Thomas Tallis

Responses: Richard Ayleward

Psalm: 74 vv 1-12; 23-24 Ch Turle

Office Hymn: 244 (NEH)

Canticles: Stanford in C

Anthem: James Macmillan, *O Radiant Dawn*

Prayers

Hymn: 377 (NEH)

Organ Voluntary: Hubert Murrill, **Carillon**

The service will be followed by refreshments

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