



## **Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Andrew**

It is good that we are here to offer our prayer, praise and thanksgiving. You are very welcome to join us as part of this worshipping community. Please stay after the service for refreshments in the John Skinner Centre; and introduce yourself to the Provost or one of the stewards.

## **SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND BAPTISM**

10.45 am, Sunday 20 October 2019

### **St Luke, Evangelist**

Celebrant and Preacher: Very Rev'd Isaac Poobalan, Provost

Organist: Bill Henderson

The Cathedral Trebles

Conductor: Lewa Olaosebikan

### **Mass Setting**

Healey Willan, *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*

*Organ voluntary*

J.S. Bach, *Trio Sonata No 2 (Movements 1 & 2) BWV 526*

## Processional Hymn 436 (NEH)

(Words: H.F. Lyte, an Irish clergyman and poet; the hymn is based on Psalm 103. Music: John Goss, *Lauda Anima* – the melody was composed for this hymn)

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
To his feet thy tribute bring!  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him! praise him!  
Praise the everlasting King!

2 Praise him for his grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress!  
Praise him still the same for ever,  
Slow to chide, and swift to bless!  
Praise him! praise him!  
Glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Father-like he tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame he knows.  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! praise him!  
Widely as his mercy flows!

4 Angels, help us to adore him;  
Ye behold him face to face:  
Sun and moon, bow down before him,  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him! praise him!  
Praise with us the God of grace!

## Collect

Almighty God, who called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul; by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your church the same love and power to heal; 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.**

**Old Testament:** Sirach 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14 (NRSV)

*read by Iain Stewart*

Honour physicians for their services, for the Lord created them; for their gift of healing comes from the Most High, and they are rewarded by the king. The skill of physicians makes them distinguished, and in the presence of the great they are admired. The Lord created medicines out of the earth, and the sensible will not despise them.

And he gave skill to human beings that he might be glorified in his marvellous works. By them the physician heals and takes away pain; the pharmacist makes

a mixture from them. God's works will never be finished; and from him health spreads over all the earth. My child, when you are ill, do not delay, but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you. Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin.

Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; do not let him leave you, for you need him. There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians, for they too pray to the Lord that he grant them success in diagnosis and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

### **Psalm 147 (vv 1 – 7) Chant Hanforth**

1 O praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises | unto our | God : yea, a joyful and pleasant | thing it | is to be | thankful.

2 The Lord doth build | up Je|rusalem : and gather to|gether the | out-casts of | Israel.

3 He healeth those that are | broken in | heart : and giveth | medicine to | heal their | sickness.

4 He telleth the | number . of the | stars : and | calleth them | all by their | names.

5 Great is our Lord and | great is his | power : yea | and his | wisdom is | infinite.

6 The Lord setteth | up the | meek : and bringeth the un|godly | down to the | ground.

(2nd Part) 7 O sing unto the | Lord with | thanksgiving : sing praises upon the | harp | unto our | God;

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: 2 Timothy 4:5-13 (NRSV)**

*read by Brian Brock*

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

**Gradual Hymn 294 (NEH)**

(Words: Charlotte Elliott, 1835, intended to set out ‘the formulae of her faith’. Music: Arthur Henry Brown, *Saffron Walden*. The singer Johnny Cash recorded a version of this hymn.)

1 Just as I am, without one plea  
But that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidd’st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

2 Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

3 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

4 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:  
Because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

5 Just as I am (thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down);  
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

6 Just as I am, of that free love  
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
Here for a season, then above,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

**Gospel:** Luke 4:14-21 (NRSV)

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

## **Baptism of Eilidh Chalmers**

*The Acolytes and the Crucifer lead the procession to the Baptismal Font followed by Eilidh's family and the Provost.*

### **Presentation of the Candidate**

*The Provost says to the parents and godparents*

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'. We thank God for Eilidh who has been brought to be baptized today. Christ loves them and welcomes them into his Church.

So I ask you all:

Will you support Eilidh as she begins her journey of faith?

**All We will.**

Will you help her to live and grow within God's family?

**All We will.**

*The Provost then addresses the parents and godparents*

God knows each of us by name and we are his.

Parents and godparents, you speak for Eilidh today.

Will you pray for her, and help her to follow Christ?

**We will.**

### **The Decision**

*Paschal candle may be lit. The Provost addresses the candidate through her parents, godparents and sponsors*

We all wander far from God and lose our way:

Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.

In baptism we respond to his call.

Therefore I ask:

Do you turn away from sin?

**I do.**

Do you reject evil?

**I do.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

**I do.**

Do you trust in him as Lord?

**I do.**

## **Signing with the Cross**

*The Provost makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate, saying*  
Christ claims you for his own.  
Receive the sign of his cross.

*The Provost may invite parents, godparents and sponsors to sign the candidate with the cross. When the candidate has been signed, the Provost says*

Do not be ashamed of Christ.  
You are his for ever.

**All Stand bravely with him  
against all the powers of evil,  
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

**All Amen.**

## **Prayer over the Water**

Praise God who made heaven and earth,  
**All who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Loving Father,  
we thank you for your servant Moses,  
who led your people through the waters of the Red Sea  
to freedom in the Promised Land.

We thank you for your Son Jesus,  
who has passed through the deep waters of death  
and opened for all the way of salvation.

Now send your Spirit,  
that those who are washed in this water  
may die with Christ and rise with him,  
to find true freedom as your children,  
alive in Christ for ever.

**All Amen.**

## **Profession of Faith**

*The Provost addresses the congregation*

Let us affirm,  
together with Eilidh being baptized,  
our common faith in Jesus Christ.  
Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## **Baptism**

*The Provost pours water on her, saying*

Eilidh Chalmers, I baptize you  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

## **Commission**

*The Provost leads the Parents and Godparents to the Altar and then offers this prayer.*

Faithful and loving God,  
bless those who care for Eilidh  
and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith.  
Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love,  
and protect their homes from all evil.  
Fill them with the light of your presence  
and establish them in the joy of your kingdom,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

God of grace and life,  
in your love you have given us  
a place among your people;  
keep us faithful to our baptism,  
and prepare us for that glorious day  
when the whole creation will be made perfect  
in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**All Amen.**

We pray for your people here and in our hearts.  
Bless us and those we remember now in prayer.  
Heal the broken in body, mind and spirit.  
Restore the lost and tired.  
Strengthen the weary, bless the dying, soothe suffering. Send us out in the  
power of your spirit to love as Christ loves and live his risen life.

**All Amen.**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and forever.

**All Amen.**

## Offertory Hymn 331 (NEH)

(Words: H.F. Lyte; this is the second hymn today by the Irish clergyman. He was said to have written the hymn for a dying friend, basing it on Luke 24:29 and 1 Corinthians 15:55; he published it some years later, shortly before he himself died of TB. Music: W.H. Monk, organist and church musician, *Eventide*)

- 1 Abide with me, fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide!  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
  
- 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.
  
- 3 I need thy presence every passing hour;  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.
  
- 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.
  
- 5 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies:  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

## Communion motet:

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni, *Cantate Domino* (based on Psalm 149)

## Post-Communion Hymn 368 (NEH)

(Words: William Williams, a Church of England deacon who became a Calvinist preacher in Wales, 'Arglwydd, arwain trwy'r anialwch', translated from Welsh by Peter Williams.

Music: John Hughes, *Cwm Rhondda*, written for a 1905 hymn festival)

1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty,  
Hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven  
Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through:  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer;  
Be thou still my strength and shield;  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction  
Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee;  
I will ever give to thee.

## Organ Voluntary:

Dietrich Buxtehude, *Prelude and Fugue in G minor*

## 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; especially Subramani Poobalan and Fiona McMillan.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for the Church in the Province of the West Indies, and for the Most Rev'd Howard Gregory, Archbishop of the West Indies, recently enthroned.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for Westhill Community Church, and for the Rev'd Ian Ferguson.

**In the Porvoo Prayer Diary** we pray for the Diocese of Växjö in the Church of Sweden, and for Bishop Fredrik Modéus; and for the Diocese of Oxford in the Church of England, and the Right Rev'd Steven Croft, the Right Rev'd Andrew Proud, the Right Rev'd Colin Fletcher, and the Right Rev'd Alan Wilson.

## EVENTS AND SERVICES

- 22 October **The Fellowship Group** meets in the John Skinner Centre on Tuesdays at 6pm for discussion and conversation.
- 23 October **Wednesday Holy Communion**, 10 am.
- 26 October **Cathedral at Noon**, 12 pm: *Sound festival: Decay* by Claudia Molitor.
- 27 October **Holy Communion** at 8 am  
**Sung Eucharist** at 10.45 am Celebrant: Very Rev'd Fr Emsley Nimmo  
**Choir Trebles** will sing at Rubislaw Park Care Home, 2.30pm (No Evensong in the Cathedral)
- 24 November **Annual General Meeting** will take place in the Cathedral at 11.30am

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