

**ST CUTHBERT'S
SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH
COLINTON**

**The Season of Pentecost
Sunday 10 October – Harvest Sunday
10.30am**



Please stand as the clergy enters

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

Please remain standing to sing

HYMN

Numbers can be found on your pew sheet and hymn board

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Please sit

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please stand

GLORIA (Sung)

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.***

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.***

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.***

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.***

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit

First Reading – Deuteronomy 8.7-18

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have

gained me this wealth.’ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading – 1 Timothy 2.1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to sing

GRADUAL HYMN

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Please remain standing

Gospel reading – Matthew 6.25-33

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to Christ our Saviour.** *(Sung)*

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord. *(Sung)*

SERMON

Please sit

(We pause to listen to a short piece of music for personal reflection)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please sit or kneel

INTERCESSIONS

Creator God, We rejoice with you at this harvest time, and we look with gratitude on all your rich provisions that surround us every day. Help us to take to heart your message from the Gospel of Matthew: “Do not worry about your life, what you will eat and drink; or about your body... Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.”

Give us the grace to seek your kingdom first and your righteousness, and to trust you as we try to walk with you day by day.

Bounteous God, **Hear us as we pray.**

Creator God, We rejoice at the marvels of your world. But we know you weep for the destructive impact we, your people, have had on your creation. We hold before you all those who cannot celebrate harvest due to rapidly changing weather patterns...drought, floods, wild fires, food shortages. Give us a vision for how we can help bring about your kingdom of justice, where the plentiful harvests can be shared with all of humanity. We pray for wise and long lasting global decisions to be made in Glasgow this autumn. Bless the work of Christian Aid and all other agencies working in partnership with the poorest to ensure a more just way of living for all people.

God of justice, **Hear us as we pray.**

Creator God, We rejoice at the many ways Christians come together to worship you, in every corner of our world. In our diversity, help us all to be united in our love for you, our desire to serve you and our longing show your love to this broken world. We pray for our community here at St Cuthbert's and thank you for Nicki and her dedicated team. We pray especially for Lesley, Colin, Kirsty and Isla, as they join us today. May we support, encourage and welcome them into our community. Bless Lesley as she continues her journey in serving you.

Loving God, **Hear us as we pray.**

Creator God, We rejoice with those who have good news to share with us. Give us the grace to stand by those who have more difficult news to share. We bring to you those we know who are struggling now, for reasons of health, grief, loss of income or burdened with the heavy weight being “family” when life is hard. Help us to show your compassion, to listen with love and to act where appropriate.

Compassionate God, **Hear us as we pray.**

In a few moments quiet we offer our own cares and concerns to the God who always listens to our pleas.

We will close with the Christian Aid prayer for harvest this year, holding up to God for His blessing all those people affected in their daily life by the climate crisis:

Creator God,
From the tree of the garden of Eden,
to the tree in the city in Revelation,
we thank you for our vision of creation healed.
Help us to be your agents of restoration, tending to the beauty of the Earth, and enabling your healing of the nations. **Amen.**

Wendy Pearson

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand to sing

OFFERTORY HYMN

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Please remain standing

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made;
it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands;
it will become the cup of our salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Father, in every place and at all times. All power is yours. You created the heavens and established the earth; you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange. He made his home among us that we might for ever dwell in you. Through your Holy Spirit you call us to new birth in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please sit

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for the gift of your Son born in human flesh. He is the Word existing beyond time, both source and final purpose, bringing to wholeness all that is made. Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross. By your power you raised him from the dead. He broke the bonds of evil and set your people free to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death, knowing that his hour had come, having loved his own, he loved them to the end. At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks.

He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:

"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying:

"Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.

**We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.**

**Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with
them ourselves, a single, holy living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets, Saint Cuthbert and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.
Lord, unite us in this sign.

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.
All are welcome to receive.

Music for the sharing of Communion (may include a hymn)

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to our gracious God
Whose mercy endures for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father, your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son. May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

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BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and those you love, this day and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.

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St Cuthbert's Notes

10 October 2021

Harvest Sunday



Hymns:

- 144 - Come, ye thankful people, come
- 801 - We plough the fields, and scatter
- 780 - To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise
- 183 - Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Readings:

Deuteronomy 8.7-18; 1 Timothy 2.1-7; Matthew 6.25-33



to Revd Dr. Lesley Penny, joining us today

Services in Church:

Covid19 restrictions for October :

- Masks will continue to be worn in church, including when singing
- No social distancing, so you may sit anywhere
(If you would prefer to continue to socially distance in church, please let us know in advance)
- Hymn books and reusable orders of service will be used
- Communion will be received at the altar (please be aware of those around you and only move forward when invited by the welcomer. We continue to receive the wafer only)
- Booking is no longer required to attend a service, however we still have to keep a record of those attending for 21 days following, so please make sure the welcomer takes your name on arrival.

Service On-line this week:

To watch a service online this week:-

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/>

Using this link, you can also download a copy of the accompanying order of service.

Family Hallowe'en Light Party:

Sunday 31 October 5pm-6pm in the Church Hall. Can you help on the day, or provide home baking? Please contact Caroline Daye if you can! Thank you! youthstcuthberts@gmail.com



New Playgroup at St Cuthbert's (Monday mornings):

Looking for volunteers to help welcome, make tea and coffee and just 'be' there for the children and their adults. If you can help in any way with this, please contact Caroline – youthstcuthberts@gmail.com for more details. Thank you!

All Soul's Service- Wednesday 3 November 10.30am:

We will remember all those we have loved and lost at this service. There will be a list at the back of church for you to write the names of those you wish to be included.

Memorial Service – 7 November 6pm:

We will be holding a memorial service for all our friends and family who have died during the pandemic and whose funerals were much reduced in number. If you lost someone during this time and would like them remembered at this service, please send their names to Nicki – stcuthbertsrector@gmail.com

Weekly Prayer:

Dear Lord, we thank for all the good gifts you send us, such bounty at this time of year. Let us raise the glorious harvest home! Your world is a beautiful, fruitful world and we pray that we may treasure it with humble, appreciative and worshipful hearts. Amen.

Enjoy the Harvest Lunch if you are attending today.



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