

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

**Remembrance Sunday  
9<sup>th</sup> November 2025**



*Welcome to the morning service.*

*If you are visiting, please introduce yourself  
to a member of the Welcome Team.*

*Please join us for refreshments after the 10.30am service.*

*Please stand as the choir and clergy enter*

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

*Please remain standing to sing*

**HYMN 547 – O God, our help in ages past**

**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 or kneel*

**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.**

KYRIE

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

Christ have mercy.

**Christ have mercy.**

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts: through your Son 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: Job 19.21-27

Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends,  
for the hand of God has touched me!  
Why do you, like God, pursue me,  
never satisfied with my flesh?  
'O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.51-57

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

‘Death has been swallowed up in victory.’

‘Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?’

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to sing*

**Gradual Hymn 499 – Make me a channel of your peace**

*Please remain standing for the Gospel reading*

Gospel: John 6.37-40

Hear the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to Christ our Saviour. (Sung)**

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

**Praise to Christ our Lord. (Sung)**

*Please sit*

SERMON

*We pause for a short time of personal reflection.*

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

*Please stand*

“On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month the guns fell silent on the Western Front, to bring to an end the First World War. Our nation and commonwealth has recalled that moment through our Armistice and Remembrance events down the decades, decades during which the men and women of our armed services have continued to pay the ultimate sacrifice.

And so, over 100 years later, we stand here today to remember lives sacrificed in the service of our Country, and those traumatised and injured in conflict. May we have such a devotion to justice and freedom that the heroism of all who fought, and still fight, may continue to be remembered in a nation of service and in a world of peace.”

### *Reading of the Roll of Remembrance*

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

**We will remember them.**

The Last Post

2 mins silence

Reveille

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life:  
Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## KOHIMA EPITAPH

“When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow, we gave our today”

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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

### THE PEACE

*Please stand*

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

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

**Offertory Hymn 770 – Through the night of doubt and  
sorrow.**

*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.**

#### EUCHARISTIC 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:

*(Sung)*

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

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

*Please sit or kneel*

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, St 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.

*All are welcome to receive Communion, or if you would prefer, please come to the altar rail for a blessing.*

**Communion Hymn 38 –**

**And now, O Father, mindful of the love**

## THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

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

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope. Teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Please stand to sing*

**Post Communion Hymn 687 – Take my life, and let it be**

*Please remain standing*

## **ACT OF COMMITMENT**

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

**We will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

**We will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

**We will**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: May we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer. **Amen.**

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**  
*(2 verses)*

**God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King.  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us:  
God save the King.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store  
On him be pleased to pour,  
Long may he reign:  
May he defend our laws,  
And ever give us cause  
To sing with heart and voice  
God save the King!**

## BLESSING

May God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the church, the King, the Commonwealth and people everywhere, peace and concord: and to us and all his servants life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.**

**Amen.**

*Organ Voluntary*



# St Cuthbert's Notes

## Remembrance Sunday

### 9 November 2025



#### St Cuthbert's Invites You:

Today, you will find an 'Invitation to St Cuthbert's' in/with your pew sheet. During Advent, we are inviting people to join us for a cup of coffee/tea on a Saturday morning to find out how to come to church. Please pass the invite to a family member, friend or neighbour.  
29<sup>th</sup> November – 20<sup>th</sup> December – 10.30am for refreshments and chat.

#### The Sign:

The deadline for the double December/January issue of The Sign is today, Sunday 9 November please.



Join us when  
you can,  
for an hour of  
music,  
followed by  
refreshments.

#### St Cuthbert's Church Hall Dates: 2pm – 4pm

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December

### St Cuthbert's Christmas Fayre Saturday 29 November, 2pm – 5pm

Gifts, cards, handicrafts and more. Browse the stalls;  
Buy for Christmas; Enjoy a cup of tea and a mince pie; Music;  
Admission free.

### **Christmas Fayre Tombola Stall:**

We are delighted to have lots of different stalls booked into our Christmas Fayre but we would also like once again to have a church Tombola Stall. We hope to have a wide range of good quality items and any contributions for this stall will be most welcome. Please put your contributions into the red box at the back of church! Thank you.

### **Christmas Tea: Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December 3pm – 5pm.**

Tickets (£10) are available from our Events & Fundraising Team. Before the Tea, at 1.15pm in church, we have the Schools Choir Concert – to which all are welcome.

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**The Annual General Meeting of  
St Cuthbert's Scottish Episcopal Church will take place on  
Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November in church,  
following the 10.30am service.**

**Nomination forms are available at the back of church.**

**Annual Reports – these are now available.**

**A small number of report booklets have been printed and are  
available at the back of church today.**

**If you would like a paper copy, please contact Marie.**

**These reports have also been sent out by email.**

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### **Pentlands Book Festival Event at St Cuthbert's: Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm**

Hannah Lavery – 'Discovering the Unwritten Woman' – please see the noticeboards for more details, or visit [www.pentlandsbookfestival.org](http://www.pentlandsbookfestival.org). Tickets are required (No charge). Please help support PBF25 if you can. *Thank you.*

## *From a Railway Carriage*

### **The Balerno Branch**

The expansion of Colinton and its neighbours – Juniper Green, Currie and Balerno – largely came about due to the Construction of the Balerno Branch of the Caledonian Railway In 1874.



Photographs and Drawings relating to the operation of the line will be on Display during normal opening hours at Currie Library

between Thursday 6th November and Wednesday 3rd December

On Saturday 8th November, it is planned to have a model shunting puzzle which all ages can enjoy operating

## **Colinton & Merchiston Community Choir: Christmas Concert – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Memorial Hall at Merchiston Castle School**

Please see the noticeboards for further details, or speak to Margaret Kieran.

### **Weekly Prayer:**

Dear Father God, Guide us in the ways of gentleness and peace. We pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that you may grant hope to our troubled world. We remember with sadness and gratitude the men, women and children who have died in the violence of war, each one known and cherished by you. May they never be forgotten. Amen.



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