



Christ Church St. Andrews

Glorifying God: Building Community

**Christ Church at 11am
10th February 2019**

Order of Service

Welcome and Prayer

Call to Praise

I will praise you, LORD, with
all my heart;
**before the 'gods' I will sing
your praise.**

I will bow down towards
your holy temple
**and will praise your name
for your unfailing love and
your faithfulness,**

From Psalm 138

Song

Jesus is the name we
honour

Prayer

*The children will go to their
groups.*

Hearing God's promise of forgiveness

The Bible teaches and our
experience confirms that
we like sheep have gone
astray, turning to our own
way, and so have sinned
and fallen short of the glory
of God. This separates us
from God and damages the
relationship we need and
He wants to give.

But don't worry, hear the
promise of God, that Jesus
Christ came into the world
to save sinners. So, let us
come to the Lord, who is
full of compassion and
acknowledge our
transgressions in penitence
and faith saying together

**Almighty God, our
heavenly Father, we have
sinned against you and
against our neighbour in
thought and word and
deed, through negligence,
through weakness,
through our own
deliberate fault. We are
truly sorry and repent of
all our sins. For the sake of**

your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Song

Speak, O Lord

Reading: John 15:1-17

¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴Remain in me, as I

also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵'I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

⁹'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have

told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: love each other.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Song

All I once held dear

Creed

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayers

which may include
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers for
the sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Peace

At this point of the service there is an opportunity to greet people. The Bible encourages us to sort out any disagreements before we take communion. Some may use the time in this way, others may greet those around them by shaking hand or hugging. It is important to us that no one feels uncomfortable so if you would rather stay seated please do.

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were
all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that
makes for peace and builds
up our common life.

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

Let us offer one another a
sign of peace.

Song

To God be the glory

The Communion 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 thanks
and praise.**

Father, you gave your Son
Jesus Christ to be our
Saviour. His dying and
rising have set us
free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank
you, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you,
loving Father, through
Jesus Christ, our Lord; and
as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit, that
broken bread_and wine

outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did for us as we share this bread and drink this wine and we thank you that your Son willingly died in our place. **Amen.**

The Communion

We welcome those who

recognise Jesus as their Lord to share with us at this table. If you wish to come forward for a blessing please leave your hands by your side. Please feel free to stay in your seats.

During communion, songs will be sung or a cd played to give us all an opportunity to pray and reflect on God's amazing love.

Our trained prayer ministry team is available in St John's chapel during communion and after the service.

Giving of Communion

We draw near with faith to receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for us and his blood which he shed for us. We eat and drink in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Bread and wine shared

remembering all that Jesus achieved on the cross.

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and bought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Family News

Song

Guardian

Blessing

May Christ who is the true vine, the chosen one, in whom we are joined to bear fruit so help us to love another that we will see his kingdom grow in and through us and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.
Amen.

Please join us for tea or coffee in church.



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Hearing God's promise of forgiveness

Hear the Lord's gracious
invitation –

'Come now, let us reason
together,' says the LORD.
'Though your sins are like
scarlet, they shall be as
white as snow; though they
are red as crimson, they
shall be like wool. *Isaiah 1*
God shows his love for us in
that He through the death
and resurrection of Christ
makes it possible for
everything we do, say and
think that is wrong to be
fully dealt with. He asks us
to see that in Christ it is
reasonable for Him to see
us as clean and pure.
In His Word He promises
'If we confess our sins, God
is faithful and just and will
forgive us our sins and
purify us from all
unrighteousness.' In the
light of this let us respond
to His love by confessing
our sins saying together
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As God's children, and heirs
with Christ we cry in the
Spirit, 'Abba', Father as we
say together

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your
will be done, on earth as in
heaven. Give us today our
daily bread. Forgive us our
sins as we forgive those
who sin against us. Lead us
not into temptation but
deliver us from evil. For
the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

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Sermon

(A place for notes)

Time to Reflect

Song

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Creed

**I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of
heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His
only Son, our Lord, who
was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died, and was
buried; He descended to
the dead. On the third day
He rose again; He
ascended into heaven, He
is seated at the right hand
of the Father, and He will
come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the
body, and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

Church Family News

Songs

To God be the glory

Closing Prayers

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vine, the chosen one, in
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another that we will see his
kingdom grow in and through
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Almighty, the Father, the
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
among us and remain with us
always. Amen.**

Let us go in peace.

**We go into the world to
walk in obedience to God,
to show God's love to one
another and to reflect
God's glory. Amen.**

Please stay for tea or coffee