



# Christ Church St. Andrews

Glorifying God : Building Community



POINTING  
TO CHRIST

LUKE 3:7-20

Welcome to our  
Morning Service at 11am on  
February 8<sup>th</sup> 2026

Simon, our associate vicar,  
will be leading and  
Anthony, our vicar,  
preaching.

**Lord God we ask You today to show us Your ways,  
teach us Your paths, guide us in Your truth, for  
You are God our Saviour, and our hope is in You  
all day long. Help us in this service to experience  
afresh Your great mercy and love. We ask this in  
the powerful and precious name of Jesus. Amen.**

## Introductory call to worship (Based on Psalm 136)

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good.

**His love endures for ever.**

Give thanks to the God of gods.

**His love endures for ever.**

Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

**His love endures for ever.**

to Him who alone does great wonders,

**His love endures for ever.**

**Who has held the oceans in His hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice.**

*Behold our God, seated on His throne,  
Come, let us adore Him.*

*Behold our King, nothing can compare,  
Come, let us adore Him!*

**Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach the One who knows all  
things?  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?**

*Behold our God, seated on His throne,  
Come, let us adore Him.*

*Behold our King, nothing can compare,  
Come, let us adore Him!*

**Who has felt the nails upon His hands  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave.  
Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign!**

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Come, let us adore Him.*

*Behold our King, nothing can compare,  
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**Men- You will reign forever. x8**  
**(Ladies – Let Your glory fill the earth) x7**  
***Let your glory fill...***

***Behold our God, seated on His throne,  
Come, let us adore Him.***

***Behold our King, nothing can compare,  
Come, let us adore Him!***



**What is our hope in life and death  
Christ alone, Christ alone.**

**What is our only confidence?  
That our souls to Him belong.**

**Who holds our days within His hand  
What comes, apart from His command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ, in which we stand.**

O sing hallelujah!  
Our hope springs eternal;  
O sing hallelujah!  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death.

**What truth can calm the troubled soul?**

**God is good, God is good.**

**Where is His grace and goodness known?**

**In our great Redeemer's blood.**

**Who holds our faith when fears arise?**

**Who stands above the stormy trial?**

**Who sends the waves that bring us nigh**

**Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?**

O sing hallelujah!  
Our hope springs eternal;  
O sing hallelujah!  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death.

Unto the grave what will we sing?  
“Christ, He lives!” “Christ, He lives!”  
And what reward will heaven bring?  
    Everlasting life with Him.  
There we will rise to meet the Lord,  
Then sin and death will be destroyed,  
    And we will feast in endless joy,  
When Christ is ours forevermore.

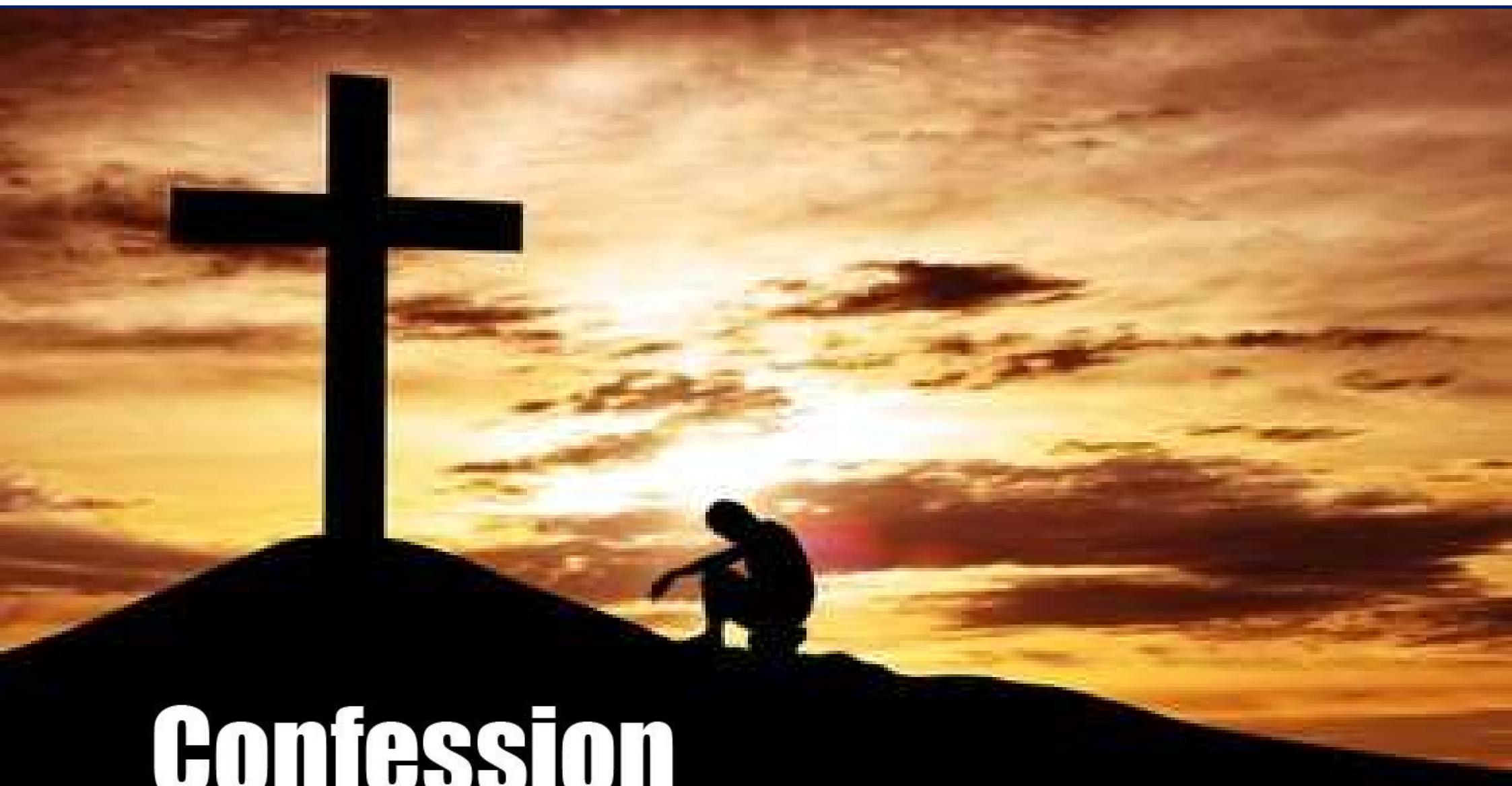
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thank  
You *Jesus,*  
AMEN

## Prayer

**After which the children aged 0-4 go to the creche in the North Room and the 5-11's to their group in the hall.**



# Confession

**“The first commandment is this: ‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”**

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You, our God. Amen.**

**May the God of love and power assure us of His forgiveness, remind us that He blots out and does not remember our sins. May He strengthen us by His Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.**



O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Greatest treasure of my longing soul,  
My God, like You there is no other.  
True delight is found in You alone.

Your grace, a well too deep to fathom,  
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach;  
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom,  
My highest good and my unending need.

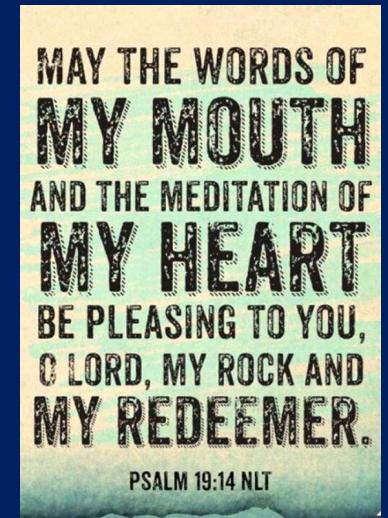
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Strong defender of my weary heart,  
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver  
And my shield against his hateful darts,

My song when enemies surround me,  
My hope when tides of sorrow rise,  
My joy when trials are abounding,  
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night.

**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Gracious Saviour of my ruined life,  
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders,  
In my place You suffered bled and died.**

**You rose, the grave and death are conquered.  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame.  
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**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer  
May all my days bring glory to Your Name.  
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## Reading and Talk – Luke 3:7-20

<sup>7</sup> John said to the crowds coming out to be baptised by him, ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? <sup>8</sup> Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our father.” For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. <sup>9</sup> The axe has been laid to the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.’

<sup>10</sup> ‘What should we do then?’ the crowd asked.

<sup>11</sup> John answered, ‘Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same.’ <sup>12</sup> Even tax collectors came to be baptised. ‘Teacher,’ they asked, ‘what should we do?’ <sup>13</sup> ‘Don’t collect any more than you are required to,’ he told them. <sup>14</sup> Then some soldiers asked him, ‘And what should we do?’ He replied, ‘Don’t extort money and don’t accuse people falsely – be content with your pay.’ <sup>15</sup> The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. <sup>16</sup> John answered them all, ‘I baptise you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.

**He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.’ <sup>18</sup> And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them. <sup>19</sup> But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of his marriage to Herodias, his brother’s wife, and all the other evil things he had done, <sup>20</sup> Herod added this to them all: he locked John up in prison.**

**This is the Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.**

All I once held dear, built my life upon,  
All this world reveres and wars to own,  
All I once thought gain I have counted loss;  
Spent and worthless now, compared to  
this:

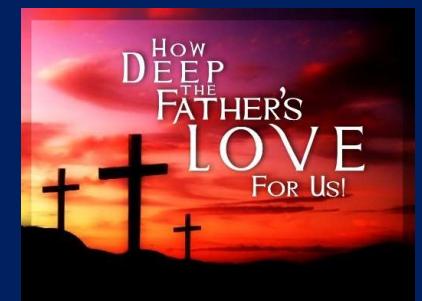
*Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing.  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness,  
And I love You Lord.*

**Now my heart's desire is to know You more,  
To be found in You and known as Yours,  
To possess by faith what I could not earn,  
All surpassing gift of righteousness.**

*Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing.  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness,  
And I love You Lord.*

Oh, to know the pow'r of Your risen life,  
And to know You in Your sufferings,  
To become like You in Your death, my Lord,  
So with You to live and never die.

*Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing.  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness,  
And I love You, Lord, love You, Lord.*





THIS WE  
Believe

## Creed

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**We 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?

**We 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?

**We believe and trust in Him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

# Prayers led by Helen Juandoo (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**

## Prayer

**Heavenly Father, who brings growth to Your church.  
Send Your Holy Spirit to give -  
Vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy  
to our worship and power to our witness. Help our  
church family to continue to grow in numbers, in  
spiritual commitment to You and in service to our  
towns so that Jesus is glorified. In His precious  
name. Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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.



# church FAMILY news

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Over all the earth  
You reign on high,  
Every mountain stream,  
Every sunset sky.  
But my one request,  
Lord, my only aim  
Is that You'd reign in me again.

*Lord, reign in me.  
Reign in Your power,  
Over all my dreams,  
In my darkest hour.  
You are the Lord  
Of all I am.  
So won't You reign in me again.*

Over every thought  
Over every word.  
May my life reflect  
The beauty of my Lord.  
'Cause You mean more to me  
Than any earthly thing,  
So won't You reign in me again.

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**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
and the love of God and the fellowship  
of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all evermore. Amen.**



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JESUS IS STILL  
ON HIS THRONE  
BUILDING  
HIS CHURCH

Refreshments are served at  
the back of church.

**Our aim at Christ Church  
St Andrews is to glorify God  
by building a Christ centred  
community through the  
power of the Holy Spirit.**



**If you would like to pray  
with someone about  
anything, please go to our  
trained team in the  
St John's Chapel.**

**Thank you for joining us.  
We hope to see you again.**