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*The Scottish Episcopal Churches of
St Mary's*

Sunday 25th August 2024

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- Ephesians 6:18 NIV



Dalkeith BBQ

(Friday 30th and Saturday 31st 12-2pm)

Thursday 29th Prayer and Preparation
7pm at St John's Church

Friday & Saturday 10am Prayer and Preparation
St John's Church Hall.

Sunday Praise & Thanksgiving
6pm St John's in thanks for the BBQ

Upcoming EVENTS

Coming to church is more than just turning up on a Sunday its about being part of a great church family as well as having opportunities to fellowship and fun together. We invite you to take part in some or all of the following events:

September

Friday 6th September - Quiz Night
at St David's Church Hall, Dalkeith 7pm

October

Saturday 5th October - Harvest Supper
with entertainment at St Leonard's

Sunday 6th October Harvest Sunday Celebrations 10am
Pet Blessing Service 3pm at St Mary's

November

Sunday 3rd November Memorial Service
a service to remember those we love but see no longer
4pm at St Leonard's

Friday 15th November - Scots/Ukrainian Evening
come and enjoy a night with our Ukrainian friends
at St Leonard's, 7pm

December

Saturday 7th December - Christmas Fair
at St Mary's, 10am-2pm

Welcome

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

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

Hymn **REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING!**

Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks, and sing,
And triumph ever more:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice! Again I say: rejoice!

Jesus the Saviour reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains,
He took His seat above:

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:

He sits at God's right hand
Till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command,
And fall beneath His feet:

Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are his children. There is no room for fear in love.
We love because he loved us first.
Therefore let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**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 his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Kyrie *Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.*

Gloria *Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria, gloria alleluia, alleluia*

Collect of the day

We pray together

**Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings
without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into
our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and
of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**

Reading from Ephesians 6.10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Hymn **AS THE DEER pants for the water,**
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.

You're my Friend and You are my Brother,
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.

Gospel John 6 v56-69

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to John
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?" Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you; they are full of the Spirit and life. Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them." From this time many turned back and no longer followed him.

"You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Hymn **ASCRIBE GREATNESS to our God, the Rock,**
His work is perfect and all His ways are just.
Ascribe greatness to our God, the Rock,
His work is perfect and all His ways are just.
A God of faithfulness and without injustice,
Good and upright is He;
A God of faithfulness and without injustice,
Good and upright is He.

Intercessions

Peace

We meet in Christ name
Let us share His peace.

Hymn **AMONG US AND BEFORE US, Lord You stand**
with arms outstretched and bread and wine at hand.
Confronting those unworthy of a crumb,
You ask that to Your table we should come.

Who dare say No, when such is Your resolve
our first to witness, suffer and absolve,
our best to raise in lives by God forgiven,
our souls to fill on earth with food from heaven?

Who dare say No, when such is Your intent
to love the selves we famish and resent,
to cradle our uncertainties and fear,
to kindle hope as You in faith draw near?

Who dare say No, when such is Your request
that each around Your table should be guest,
that hear the ancient word should live as new
'take, eat and drink – all this is meant for you'?

No more we hesitate and wonder why;
no more we stand indifferent, scared or shy.
Your invitation leads us to say Yes,
to meet You where You nourish, heal and bless

Offering

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own we give you.**

Eucharistic Prayer V

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 him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you Father
in every place and at all times.

You made us, all the people of the world
and everything that is.

You give us the daylight.

Your Word lights up our minds.

Jesus was born among us
to be light in our darkness.

Your Spirit lives in us
so that we can look at the world with your eyes.

One day we will be with you in heaven,
but already we laugh with the saints
and angels and sing their song:

***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.***

Father you never forget us
or turn away from us even when we fail you.
You sent your Son Jesus who gave his life for us.
He healed those who were sick,
cared for those who were poor
and cried with those who were sad.
He forgave sinners and taught us to forgive.

For all your love we give you thanks
in the way that Jesus showed us.

For on the night before he died,
while he was having supper with his friends,
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.'

**So, as we do what he told us,
we open our hearts to him;
we remember how he died
and rose again to live now in us.**

Together with him we offer you these gifts:
in them we give you ourselves.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine;
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ,
and that, sharing your life,
we may travel in your company to our journey's end.

**With all your people we give you thanks and praise
through the Son and in the Spirit, now and for ever.**

Amen.

Breaking of Bread

Look, the Bread of Heaven is broken for the life of the world.
And the wine of heaven is poured out for the healing of the nations.

**The gifts of God for the people of God.
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 Song [Agnus Dei]

*Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us
Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace
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Distribution of Communion

*Everyone is welcomed at our table to receive the Bread and Wine
of communion reminding us of God's love and welcome to us.*

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.
And his mercy endures for ever.

Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love.
Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 among you and remain with you always.

Amen

Hymn **ONE MORE STEP ALONG THE WORLD I GO,**

one more step along the world I go;
from the old things to the new
keep me traveling along with you:

And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me traveling along with you.

Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me traveling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough;
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me traveling along with you

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me;
ever old and ever new,
keep me traveling along with you

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

St Leonard's &
St Mary's

Come and
Join Us

QUIZ *Night*



**ST DAVID'S
CHURCH
HALL**

**FRIDAY
6TH SEPT
7PM**

Cash prizes, have some fun, and show off your smarts! Bring your friends and your brain power for an unforgettable night of quizzing. BYOB

**TEAMS OF 4 - £10 PER PERSON
INCLUDES STOVIES**

St Leonard's Episcopal Church Lasswade SC014151
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Tickets for the quiz on sale now. Please purchase early so we have an indication of numbers for catering - thank you



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