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St Leonard's and St Mary's Scottish Episcopal Churches

Sunday 19th January 2025

2nd Sunday of Epiphany



WATER INTO **WINE**

the first of the signs through which
Jesus revealed his glory.

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you
and also with you

**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 JESUS IS LORD! CREATION'S VOICE PROCLAIMS IT,
For by His power each tree and flower
Was planned and made.
Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it,
Sun, moon and stars in heaven
Cry, 'Jesus is Lord!'

Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with hallelujahs
For Jesus is Lord!

Jesus is Lord! Yet from His throne eternal
In flesh He came to die in pain
On Calvary's tree.
Jesus is Lord! From Him all life proceeding,
Yet gave His life a ransom
Thus setting us free.

Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqueror,
From death He rose, and all His foes
Shall own His name.
Jesus is Lord! God sent His Holy Spirit
To show by works of power
That Jesus is Lord.

Confession *please sit or kneel*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
to free us from our sins and empower us to become children of God.
Let us therefore 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

The Collect

Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading: Psalm 36 v5-10

Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.
Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,
your justice like the great deep.

You, Lord, preserve both people and animals.

How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

People take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house;

you give them drink from your river of delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

Continue your love to those who know you,
your righteousness to the upright in heart.

Hymn HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US,

How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory. (Souls)

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

The Gospel Reading: John 2v1-11

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

A wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." Jesus replied "Woman, why do you involve me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Intercessions for today

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

Hymn **I COME WITH JOY, A CHILD OF GOD**, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

The spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known: alive and among us here.

Together met, together bound, by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world, the love that makes us one.

Offertory Prayer

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.
Amen**

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 him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.

Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being,
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.

Day and night celebrate your glory
till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your only-begotten Son,
you have revealed yourself to the world.

By the guiding of a star,
you made him known to the nations
as the son of David and king of Israel;
that in following him,
we might be led from darkness
and into his marvellous light.

**Filled with the Spirit, who descended upon your Son,
we who are baptised in his name
strive for his heavenly kingdom in whose radiance
we are transfigured and the earth is transformed.**

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.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father.
In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.
Our hope is built on him in whom you are well pleased.
Having been shown to the world as your beloved Son,
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.

The blind received their sight, the lame walked,
the lepers were cleansed, and the captives set free.
At his word, water became wine,
the hungry were filled with bread,
and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
desiring to complete the work for which he came into the world,
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,
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 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.**

Invitation to come and receive

All are welcome to come and receive communion or a blessing at this time

Thanksgiving and sending out

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

**God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit,
that through us your light may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.**

Blessing

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts and minds
with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you now and always.
Amen

Hymn

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE,

In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

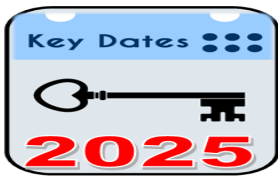
Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Dismissal

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

*Do gather with us for fellowship
and refreshments served after the service*



As we look into the new year with hope, prayer and anticipation we draw your attention to these Key dates and times in the life of the church for your diary

February Stewardship Sunday's

Being a member of the church calls us to take seriously our responsibility to love God through being disciples of Christ. Over the Sundays in February we will be looking at what it means to be a good steward of our finances and why we give? Where does our church finances come from? What do we use them for? and How much should we give?

March The Lent Season

Ash Wednesday falls on the 5th March this marks the beginning of lent physically with us receiving the outward symbol of an ash cross calling us to ask God to search our hearts and minds and stir in us a repentant heart willing to be changed and renewed by God's love. During the season of Lent we will seek to offer a Weekly Lent course for people to engage with as we journey once more to Calvary.

April Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Celebrations

Palm Sunday falls on Sunday 13th April marking the beginning of Holy Week, leading us once more up to the events of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and culminating in the great celebration of Easter on Sunday 20th April

[Get involved in your local church](#)

As the new year begins there are new opportunities for you to get involved in the life of your local church. On Sunday morning a team of people are on duty to help our welcome, worship and hospitality run smoothly. We are on the look out for people to sign up to be **"Welcomers"** staffing our welcome desk, **"Readers"** reading the scriptures lessons for the day, **"Intercessors"** helping to lead the congregation in prayer during the service. We would also welcome enquirers for **"server"** or **"worship leader"** training as well as those willing to help with hospitality by providing refreshments after the service.

If interested please do send us an email at the church office. Thank You

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Creative
family
fun



We look forward to the start of a new year and a year of Messy Activities offering opportunities for family and friends to gather and explore some familiar Bible Stories through arts, crafts, song and story. Finishing off with a family meal together at no cost.

Last Saturday of each Month from 4pm at St Mary's.

January 25th - It's all about Grace and Mercy

February 22nd - Forgive one another

March 29th - Rescued and Saved

Everybody's Welcome, anyone can come.



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