

Sunday Evening – 27th October 2024

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This evening Hamish Sneddon will preach from Revelation 15:5–16:21.

Psalm 25

- 5 You are my Saviour and my God; All day I hope in you alone.
- 6 Remember, LORD, your love and grace Which from past ages you have shown.
- 7 Do not recall my sins of youth Or my rebellious, evil ways; Remember me in your great love, For you, O LORD, are good always.
- 8 Because the LORD is just and good, He shows his paths to all who stray.
- 9 He guides the meek in what is right And teaches them his holy way.
- 10 To those who keep his covenant laws He shows his love consistently.
- 11 For your name's sake, O LORD my God, Forgive my great iniquity.

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!

Unto the grave, what shall 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.
O sing hallelujah!

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Corporate Reading: Psalm 103:8-13

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Reading: Revelation 15:1-16:7 (page 1036)

Immortal honours rest on Jesus' head,

my God, my portion, and my living Bread; in him I live, upon him cast my care; he saves from death, destruction and despair.

He is my refuge in each deep distress, the Lord my strength and glorious righteousness. Through floods and flames he leads me safely on, and daily makes his sovereign goodness known.

My every need he richly will supply, nor will his mercy ever let me die; in him there dwells a treasure all divine, and matchless grace has made that treasure mine.

O that my soul could love and praise him more, his beauties trace, his majesty adore, live near his heart, rest in his love each day, hear his dear voice and all his will obey.

William Gadsby (1773-1844)

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.

Notices

'If you could ask God one question...?' – Join us for our guest services on the dates below. Find a digital flyer to share <u>here</u>.

10:30am, 3rd November - Where is God in suffering? 6pm, 3rd November - Does following God mean losing my freedom? 10:30am, 10th November - Is peace possible in a world of turmoil?

- **1) During the week** LifeGroups and Friday Fellowship continue as normal this week. Talk to a member of staff or send an email to church@standrewsfreechurch for more info about our weekly bible studies.
- **2)** Christianity Explored Starting on Monday 28th October at 7pm, join us for seven weekly sessions investigating Jesus's life. Contact Emma at egcargile@qmail.com for more details.
- **3)** St Andrews Reformation History Tour Anyone interested in joining a Reformation history walking tour around St Andrews on Thursday 31st October is invited to speak with Matt Ylitalo (ylitalom@hotmail.com) for more details.
- 4) 20s & 30s Social From 7pm on Monday the 4th November, venue TBC.
- **5) Prayer Meeting** Join us to pray as a church family on Wednesday 6th November at 1 Dempster Terrace, 7:15pm for a 7:30 start. All welcome!
- **6) Women's Brunch** Please join us on Saturday 9th November from 10am-12pm in The Halls on the topic of *Church life: What is my part to play?*
- **7) Evangelistic Wreath-making** On the evening of Friday 29th November for women of all ages. Start thinking and praying about guests you could invite to join.
- 8) Blythswood Shoebox Appeal Contact Fiona Hutcheson for more info (fionahutcheson59@gmail.com). Boxes must be returned by next Sunday (3rd November).
- **9)** Christmas Carol Services Sunday 8th December, 5 & 7:30pm If you are either a singer or a musician and available for both services, please get in touch: church@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk or talk to a member of staff.
- **10) Giving** You can support the work of the church financially by electronic bank transfer, by contactless payment after the service or by clicking here. Our bank details are A/c name: St Andrews Free COS; S/c: 80–09–55; A/c no: 00295283. If you are eligible for Gift Aid, please email (treasurer@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk)

'Jesus is Lord' – the cry that echoes through creation:

resplendent pow'r, eternal Word, our Rock.

The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens, yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord – whose voice sustains the stars and planets, yet in his wisdom laid aside his crown.

Jesus the man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering, became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord – the tomb is gloriously empty!

Not even death could crush this King of love!

The price is paid, the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven, and we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' – a shout of joy, a cry of anguish, as he returns, and every knee bows low.

Then every eye and every heart will see his glory, the Judge of all will take his children home.

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Reading and Sermon: Revelation 16:8-21 (page 1037)

Revelation 15:5-16:21

Introduction: Protective of	clothing	must be	worn
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- 1) While His people wait for the End, God is revealing His wrath right now in the world
 - In the earth (cf. 8:6-12)
 - Upon those who unrepentantly oppose Him (cf. 6:1-8)
 - Towards His spiritual enemies (cf. 12:7-12)

Application: Recognition and Repentance (see Romans 1:18-21)

- 2) While His people wait for the End, God reassures them of His ultimate victory (cf. 15:1)
 - Final victory in conflict

• Perfect justice in judgement

Conclusion: Awake, dressed, blessed

Awake, awake, O Zion,

and clothe yourself with strength, shake off your dust and fix your eyes on him. For you have been redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus, and now you sit enthroned with him.

Our God reigns,
he is King of all the earth.
Our God reigns
and He's seated on the throne.
Lift your voice,
and sing a song of praise.
Our God reigns,
the awesome Lord most high.

How beautiful the feet are of those who bring good news, For they proclaim the peace that comes from God. Rise up, you holy nation, proclaim the great salvation, and say to Zion 'Your God reigns.' Our God reigns...

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, our God is with us now.

The watchmen lift their voices, and raise a shout of joy, for he will come again.
Then all eyes will see the salvation of our God, for he has redeemed Jerusalem.

Our God reigns...

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Next week's services:

10.30am: Guest Service - Where is God in suffering?6pm: Guest Service - Does following God mean losing my freedom?

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