

"For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord"

1 Corinthians 2 v 4

WELCOME TO ST. CYPRIAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE LINK - Sunday 20th November, 2011 Sunday next before Advent Christ the King

We welcome all visitors to our service and invite you to join us for coffee in the hall after the 10.30am service.

10.30AM - SUNG EUCHARIST

Christ triumphant, ever reigning, Saviour, Master, King, Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining, Hear us as we sing: Refrain:

Yours the glory and the crown, The high renown, the eternal name.

Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! Power and majesty concealing By your humble birth: Refrain

Suffering Servant, scorned, illtreated, Victim crucified! Death is through the cross defeated, Sinners justified:

Refrain

Priestly King, enthroned forever High in heaven above! Sin and death and hell shall never Stifle hymns of love: Refrain

So, our hearts and voices raising Through the ages long, Ceaselessly upon You gazing, This shall be our song:

Refrain

John Barnard Michael Saward

SHARING OF THE PEACE

SERVICE OF THE EUCHARIST USING THE 1982 'BLUE BOOK' COLLECT:

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 95

Response The Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with

thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, a great Ging above all Ging his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed. R

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. R

EPISTLE: Ephesians 1.15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GRADUAL HYMN: 353 Meekness and majesty

GOSPEL: Matthew 25.31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed

me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me. "Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you? "And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me. "Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me. "Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you? "Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me. "And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

OFFERTORY: 7 All hail the power of Jesus' name O vv2,6 COMMUNION HYMN: 114 From heaven you came

POST COMMUNION:

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 77 Crown him with many crowns

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Please forward notices for **THE LINK** by e-mail, to kathryn.potts2@ntlworld.com
or telephone on 0141-578 0734

BEFORE 6pm WEDNESDAY THANK YOU

THIS WEEK IN PRAYER

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you," Psalm 122:6

For your prayers this week:

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we are asked to pray for Virginia - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Shannon Johnston; Suffragan Bishop of Virginia, The Rt Revd David Jones and West Virginia, The Rt Revd Willam Klusmeyer. In our own Diocese, please pray for St Francis of Assisi (Greyfriars), Kirkcudbright; St Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet (Roger Cutler, Jack Sunderland.

Daily Prayers

21st Staff and patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes

22nd The people of Libya

23rd For the people of the Church of Ireland

24th The Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church.

25th For everyone preparing for the Christmas Fayre

26th For love, fellowship and happiness at our Christmas Fayre.

Please also remember in your prayers:

Johnny Crawford; Graham Durkin; Jean Dick; Susan Frost; Ralph Hindle; Susan Iveson; Mary Kitching; Brian and Kate MacDonald; Jean Mott; Eric and Sheila Oakes; Prim Parry; Alan Paterson; Bob Provan; Sheila Shaw; Margaret Sneddon; Glennis Tavener: Mary Toward; and for those in the "Prayer Book" at the back of the church

May God keep them all in His care.

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Fund Raising Group

The next FRG Meeting will be held in the Choir Vestry on Thursday 1st December at 10.30am after the Holy Communion Service. Everyone who has an interest in any aspect of fundraising is invited to attend this open meeting. After a Christmas Fayre "de-brief", we will check any arrangements for Christmas service times especially the Nine Lessons and Carols (Sun 18th Dec) and take a look at the events outline for 2012.

Anyone who would like to go out for lunch after the meeting should let Kathryn (Tel:- 0141-578 0734) know before Sunday 27th December, for booking numbers.

SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sun 20th Christ the King (Last before Advent)

10.30am Sung Eucharist

3pm Afternoon Service in the hall

Wed 23rd 10.30am Caledonian Award Charity Day at Balmore

Coach House

Christmas Tree Festival at St David's until 4th Dec

Thu 24th 10am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry

Fri 25th Preparation for Christmas Fayre

Sat 26th 10am Christmas Fayre in Public Hall (access from 9am)

Sun 27th First Sunday of Advent

9.15am Holy Communion (said)

10.30am Sung Eucharist

7pm ACTS Advent Service with Concordia at St David's

Memorial Park Church, Kirkintilloch

Tue 29th Day of Intercession and Thanksgiving for the Missionary Work of

the Church

7pm Advent Meditation 1 in the Choir Vestry

Wed 30th Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

DECEMBER 2011

Thu 1st 10.30am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry

Sun 4th The Second Sunday of Advent

9.15am Holy Communion (said)

3pm Service at Lilyburn

Tue 6th 7pm Advent Meditation 2 in the Choir Vestry

Thu 8th 10.30am Holy Communion (said)

Caledonian Award Charity Day
At the Balmore Coach House
Wednesday 23rd November 2011 at 10.30am on
all the profits will go to The Caledonian Award



Christmas Fayre 2011 26th November 2011; 10am – 3pm



Donations are needed for all the stalls, especially home baking for the Tearoom and the Cake and Candy stall, Toys and Tombola. Please contact the appropriate stall holder about your donations as soon as possible so they know how much stock they will have.

Books

Cake & Candy

Collector's Corner

Christmas Arrangements

Gifts & Christmas

Handmade Crafts

Jewellery & empty boxes

Lunch Stall

Tearoom

Tombola

Toys

Door

- Gill Inglis

- Val Fallon

- Kathryn Potts

Daphne Fraser

- Jenny Proctor

- Audrey Groom

- Ann Carswell

- Aileen Mundy

- Avril Critchlow

Pat & Paul Hindle

- Kevin and Fiona

- Maxine

Help is also needed with setting up the stalls on Friday 25th November from 10.30am until 2.30pm and again from 6pm until 9pm; also for clearing up at the end of the Fayre on Saturday. Please let Susan know if you are available, even if only for half an hour, either on the Friday or Saturday.