

# St. Cyprian's Church

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Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025

### Pentecost 11

#### Hymns for today (\* = *The Source* hymnal)

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| Opening   | 104    | <b>For the beauty of the earth</b>        |
| Gradual   | insert | <b>Will you come and follow me</b>        |
| Offertory | insert | <b>Lord you give the Great commission</b> |
| Communion | 272    | <b>O God, unseen yet ever near</b>        |
| Closing   | 526*   | <b>To God be the Glory</b>                |

#### Our Prayers

##### Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Church of the Province of South East Asia

##### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Bishop Nick Bundock

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Denmark.

Assistant Director of Ordinands (Verity Brown)

Vocational Discernment Co-ordinator (Dawn Matthew), & the Heartland Charge (Lisa Curtice)

**St Cyprian's Congregation** we give thanks for the blessing of God on our community and we raise up the businesses and business owners in Kirkintilloch, Lenzie, Kilsyth, Lennoxton, and Milton of Campsie as they support the financial and material health in our patch. We pray for musicians as they raise their gifts and spread joy through song.

**Those on our prayer list:** Agnes Rose; Bill Fergus; Rosa Revell and her sister; Barbara Fairlee; Sheila and Shaunda; Ruth Mitchell; Kennedy Fraser; Duncan Naysmith; Jean Dick; Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Karen Rose; Tom and Lynda; Jean Hindle; Peter Bladon; Helen Kerr; Glennis Tavener; Jean McLean, The Watt Family and those who are named in the Prayer Book at the back of the church.

#### Worship with us!

Thursdays, said Eucharist 10am

Sundays\*, sung Eucharist 1030am

\*also on zoom,  
see [website](#) for details

#### Collect of the day

Almighty and eternal God, by your generous love you grant to those who pray more than is desired or deserved: pour down your mercy upon us, forgiving what our conscience fears, and granting what we dare not ask; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

#### Notices

- ❖ Rev. Audrey is keen to get to know everyone and will be calling around to schedule visits. If you would like to have a chat sooner – please reach out to set something up.
- ❖ **Season Tickets** for the **Music @ St Cyprians** concert series are available now. Please visit the website (<https://musicstcyprians.co.uk/>) to download the brochure and fill out the application form or see Mary Boyd after the service to find out more.
- ❖ Scottish Bible Society **autumn charity concert** featuring the Stepps Songsters will be held at Lenzie Old Parish on **15 September at 7pm**. Tickets and more information are available by calling: 0141 776 0491.
- ❖ **Next Sunday, 31 August**, we will conclude our service by processing to the memorial garden where **we will commit Bill Watt's ashes to the earth** in our memorial garden. The Watt family will then join us at coffee hour where they would love to hear your favourite memories of Bill, may he rest in peace and rise in glory.

The Rev. Audrey O'Brien Stewart

Priest in Charge

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📅 My usual days off are Friday & Saturday

## First Reading

Jeremiah 1: 4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know  
how to speak, for I am only a boy." But  
the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you,  
Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my  
mouth; and the Lord said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
See, today I appoint you over nations and over  
kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant."

## Psalm 71: 1-6

I In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.

**2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set  
me free; \* incline your ear to me and save  
me.**

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

**4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of  
the wicked, \* from the clutches of the  
evildoer and the oppressor.**

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, \*  
my confidence since I was young.

**6 I have been sustained by you ever since I  
was born; from my mother's womb you  
have been my strength; \* my praise shall be  
always of you.**

## The Epistle

Hebrews 12: 18-29

You have not come to something that can be  
touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom,  
and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a  
voice whose words made the hearers beg that  
not another word be spoken to them. (For they

could not endure the order that was given, "If  
even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be  
stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the  
sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But  
you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of  
the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to  
innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the  
assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in  
heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the  
spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to  
Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the  
sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than  
the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is  
speaking; for if they did not escape when they  
refused the one who warned them on earth, how  
much less will we escape if we reject the one  
who warns from heaven! At that time his voice  
shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet  
once more I will shake not only the earth but also  
the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more,"  
indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is,  
created things-- so that what cannot be shaken  
may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a  
kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks,  
by which we offer to God an acceptable worship  
with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a  
consuming fire.

## The Gospel

Luke 13: 10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues  
on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a  
woman with a spirit that had crippled her for  
eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite  
unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her,  
he called her over and said, "Woman, you are  
set free from your ailment." When he laid his  
hands on her, immediately she stood up straight  
and began praising God. But the leader of the  
synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on  
the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There  
are six days on which work ought to be done;  
come on those days and be cured, and not on  
the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and  
said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on  
the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the  
manger, and lead it away to give it water? And  
ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham  
whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be  
set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?"  
When he said this, all his opponents were put to  
shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all  
the wonderful things that he was doing