

DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP — 25TH FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY-SERVICE PHONE NO: 01738-239392

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We warmly welcome you to our congregation and extend Christian greetings to you. You enter this church, not as a stranger but as a guest of God and as a friend of those who have gathered here today. So come into God's presence with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips and offer God your love and service. As you do so, may you experience God's loving presence, peace and hope.

Prayer of Preparation

Lord Jesus Christ, we are here because we want to honour you, to give you the acknowledgement and recognition you deserve. Remind us that if we truly do so, our worship cannot be confined to these few moments but must spill over into daily life and be shown there, by our willingness to follow your way even when commitment proves costly. Help us to offer ourselves afresh to your service, and through our meeting with you to find the resources we need to take up our cross and walk where you would lead us. Amen.

Welcome & Church News Call to Worship

Hymn 130 - Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Prayer

Hymn 121 - In the Presence of Your People

Bible Readings

Genesis 17: 1-7,15-16 Mark 8: 31-38

Hymn 402 - Take up your cross the Saviour said

[Tune: 'Hesperus']

Sermon

Hymn 645 - I'm not ashamed to own my Lord

Offering

Offertory Prayer & Prayers for Others

MP 1072 - In Christ alone

Benediction

Our Mission Statement: To be a place of Christian worship and outreach and a hub for the community enabling people to connect with Jesus and one another.



Hymn 130

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,

and publish abroad his wonderful name;

the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;

his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

- 2. God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
- and still he is nigh, his presence we have;

the great congregation his triumph shall sing,

ascribing salvation to Jesus our king.

- 3. 'Salvation to God who sits on the throne!'
- let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:

the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,

fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

- 4. Then let us adore, and give him his right:
- all glory and power, all wisdom and might,

all honour and blessing, with angels above,

and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love. (Amen, amen.)

Hymn 121

In the presence of your people

I will praise your name, for alone you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. Let us celebrate your goodness and your steadfast love; may your name be exalted here on earth and in heaven above.

- 2. All who love you sing your praises and proclaim your power, for alone you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. You have not ignored our suffering but have heard our cry; may your power be exalted here on earth and in heaven above.
- 3. All who seek your rule will praise you and be satisfied; for alone you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. All the peoples of the nations will bow down to you; may your rule be exalted here on earth and in heaven above.

Hymn 402

'Take up your cross,' the Saviour said,

'if you would my disciple be; take up your cross, with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.'

- Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak soul with vain alarm: his strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
- 3. Take up your cross, nor heed the shame, and let your foolish pride be still: the Lord refused not even to die upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

- 4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly every danger brave; it guides you to a better home, and leads to victory o'er the grave.
- 5. Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Hymn 645

I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,

or to defend his cause, maintain the glory of his cross, and honour all his laws.

- 2. Jesus, my Lord! I know his name, his name is all my boast; he will not put my soul to shame, nor let my hope be lost.
- 3. I know that safe with him remains, protected by his power, what I've committed to his trust, till the decisive hour.
- 4. Then will he own his servant's name before his Father's face, and in the new Jerusalem appoint my soul a place.

MP 1072

In Christ alone my hope is found

He is my light, my strength, my song

This Cornerstone, this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh

Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save

'Til on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay Light of the World by darkness slain

Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell, no scheme of man

Can ever pluck me from His hand 'Til He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

FURTHER INFORMATION (Activities in Church Hall unless otherwise stated)

Monday	26 th	Ladies' Exercise 1	9.45am
		Ladies' Exercise 2	10.45am
		Men's Exercise	3.30pm
		Yoga	7.15-8.45pm
Tuesday	27 th	Lunch Club	11.00am -1.30pm
_		Carpet Bowls	2.00-4.00pm
		Charlie's Keep Fit	6.15 - 7.10pm
Wednesday	28 th	Youth Drop In	6.00-8.00pm
Thursday	29 th	Chatterbox	9.00-11.00am
		Bridge Club	1.30-4.00pm
		Anna's Yoga	6.00 – 7.00pm
		Earn Singers	7.30-9.30pm
Friday	1 st	Chair Keep Fit (all ability levels)	10.30-11.15am
		Cosy Space	11.30-1.30pm
		World Day of Prayer Service	1.30pm (Dunbarney)
Saturday	2 nd	Dandelion Group	10.00am
Sunday	3 rd	Morning Worship	11.00am (Forgandenny)
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PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK: POWER FOR LIFE

Almighty God, we welcome the new life and hope of Spring, filled with wonder and praise at creative power, renewing us each day to live for You. May we be responsible stewards and use the power in our hands for the benefit of others and to the glory of Your name. Amen.

Lord our Provider, we pray about price spikes in gas and oil globally caused by war in Ukraine and conflict in the Middle East, that have led to rises in the cost of living across the world. May equitable and peaceful solutions be reached soon. Amen.

Holy Spirit, we pray for revitalisation and renewal of Your Church as Christians speak up for biblical integrity, evangelise and give themselves in compassionate service in ways that touch the soul of our nation. Please reveal Your truth and grace. In Your mercy. Amen.

Lord, thank You for natural and renewable sources of power such as wind, sunlight, water and tidal flows, geothermal reservoirs and bioenergy. We pray that these resources will benefit everyone and be used in ways that do not harm the environment. Amen.

Father, we intercede for households that have to switch off their heating to afford food and other essentials. Please help the government to provide targeted help and sustain a safety net for people struggling with subsequent problems of debt and other deprivation. Amen.

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