

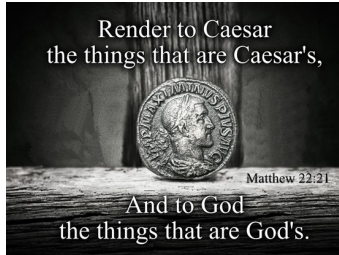
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The Scottish Episcopal Church

St John's, Arpafeelie: St Andrew's, Fortrose: St Regulus, Cromarty

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EVERYONE WHO IS BAPTISED is welcome to share with us in Communion this morning. There is no need to be a member of the Episcopal Church. Please feel free to celebrate with us.

If you are not baptised or would prefer, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing (simply come forward with hands together and head bowed as a sign to the priest).



THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Collect

Almighty and ever living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,

we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

+ First Reading : Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD - cont.

+ Psalm 96:1-9

Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name

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Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the whole earth. Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name

Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples. For great is he LORD and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods.

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As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but it is the LORD who made the heavens. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence!

Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name

Oh, the power and the splendour of his sanctuary! Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the LORD honour and power.

Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name

Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.

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+ Second Reading : 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

+ The Holy Gospel : Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

PRAYER REQUESTS

For grace to be Jesus' hands, feet, voice, eyes & heart in the world...that we all may LIVE and BE the GOOD NEWS.

OUR WORLD

For all places where Covid 19 and other diseases are on the rise. For all in leadership in health care and government and for the Spirit's guidance re the ending of lockdown. For all suffering with Covid 19, for all our healthcare workers, for all working for a cure, for all shop workers, lorry drivers, all we are depending on for our safety, health and protection and all living in fear of it. For healing and peace among all nations. For an end to terrorism and hatred in all its forms. For our fellow Christians and all who are persecuted for their faith.

OUR COMMUNION

Pray for the peace and unity of the Church. Pray our brothers and sisters of the Church in the US of A : Bishop Michael Curry.

OUR DIOCESE

For all our brothers & sisters in the Porvoo Communion of Churches. For Colin P, Andrew P, Blayne P, Lesley P, Ferdinand vP, Roberta R, Louise S, their families and all who are studying for Ordination or Readership...for their instructors & all who support them. For Mark, our Bishop. For our brothers & sisters of All Saints' Mission, Kinlochewe. For Inverness Street Pastors. For our sister Dioceses (Quebec, Canada & Tuam, Killala and Achonry, Ireland).

OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY FAMILY & FRIENDS

For our three congregations, those who are able to join us in public worship and those joining us in spirit from home. For Janet S as she studies for ordination. For those whose relationships / marriages are struggling. Pray for our Granny in Guatemala: Santos De La Cruz Mendez. Pray for our Sunday Club in St Regulus'. For our Teen Gatherings. For James and his work in Biblical translation in Nigeria. For all we know to be in need of our prayers.

A DAILY PRAYER for the WEEK

God has established his people in hope. Nothing can break the confidence of those who love him. Let us proclaim:

– Father, our trust is in you.

We give you thanks, Lord God, for you have made man rich in all wisdom and insight.

– Father, our trust is in you.

Lord God, you know the hearts of all rulers: May they work for the good of the people they govern.

– Father, our trust is in you.

Lord, you empower humankind to glorify this world with art: make our work live with vision and true hope.

– Father, our trust is in you.

You do not allow us to be tempted beyond our limits: strengthen the weak, raise up the fallen.

– Father, our trust is in you.

Father, you have promised us a share in your Son's resurrection on the last day: remember those who have gone before us on the path to eternal life.

– Father, our trust is in you. – Draw all people to yourself, Lord.

In a moment of silence, call to mind the concerns of your own heart with those listed above and lift them up to God. Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

AS THE CHURCH DEPLOYED - LET US UNITE IN PRAYER FROM OUR HOMES

Dear All,

Keep on praying!

I am keeping you in mine, please keep me in yours!

Much love to all!

Mel +

RE DAILY PRAYER...

Prayer will continue while I am on hols...but I am not sure I will be able to post online!

Apologies but midweek Eucharist needs to be cancelled till I return!

I will be offering these prayers at:

7 am : Invitatory & Office of Readings

9 am : Morning Prayer

6 pm : Evening Prayer

10 pm : Night Prayer aka Compline

9:30am Celtic Morning Prayer (Via Zoom: Contact Richard for info: richard@nesscottage.scot)

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

18 October (Pentecost 20)

945am in St John's with Fr Arthur

945am in St Regulus' with Rev Christine

1130am in St Andrew's with Rev Christine

25 October (Pentecost 21)

945am in St John's with Rev Christine

945am in St Regulus' with Fr Mel

1130am in St Andrew's with Fr Mel

OUR CHARITY SHOP
in Saint Andrew's Hall :
Wednesdays & Saturdays,
10am -1pm.



**SATURDAY COFFEE
MORNINGS AND CHARITY
SHOP BOTH CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



Please help local people in Crisis

Tins of ham

Tins of corned beef

Tins of mince/stew

Tins of Potato

Tins of custard

Soap powder (small)

Washing up liquid (small)

Shaving foam/razors

TINNED VEGETABLES

Highland Foodbank

Thought for today

*The Master came on earth to save the Gentile
and the Jew.*

*He came to lift our vision to a wider, grander
view.*

*He came to turn the thoughts of men away
from self and sin;*

*And to tell the tidings that God's kingdom is
within.*

The Books and cards normally on sale
at the back of St Andrew's are not
available during the present re-
strictions.

St John's Arpafeelie

Sunday 18th October - 09.45



Diocesan Prayer Cycle -

Porvoo Cycle -

Notices

Visitor Details

Should you have any visitors attending your church you need to get their details for the Track and Trace list. You need to get their Name, Phone Number, and note the date of their visit and email this, ALONG with the regular congregation's names who were in attendance, every Sunday after the service to Ramsay.

This allows Ramsay to be the point of contact for the Track and Trace system for The Charge should any member be unfortunate enough to get the disease.

For those attending church during the Covid outbreak we have an information sheet for you to assess your personal risk with an explanation attached. This is used within the NHS and other Churches. We DO NOT want to know your personal score but would ask that you confirm either by email or in writing that you have received and read the form. Spare copies will be available in church for visitors etc.

Stewards and Co-ordinators need to ensure that details of everyone who attended the service are passed to the Vestry Secretary by email by each Sunday night. This needs to be undertaken to meet the Track and Trace section of the legislation.

Church Rotas

St Andrew's

Readers & Intercessors

J MacLennan, B Oakley, R McGhee and A Garraway

Sides-men

Ann McGhee and J Deakin

Servers

Sacristan

Flowers

Teas

Cleaning

St John's