

*Banchory Ternan East  
Church*

*11th August 2019*

*10.30 am*

*To know Christ and make him  
known*



**Welcome and Call to worship**

**Hymn: CMP 249**

**How lovely on the mountains  
Are the feet of him**

Who brings good news, good news,  
Proclaiming peace,  
Announcing news of happiness,  
Our God reigns, our God reigns!  
Our God reigns, our God reigns,  
Our God reigns, our God reigns!

You watchmen,  
Lift your voices joyfully as one,  
Shout for your King, your King.  
See eye to eye the Lord restoring Zion  
Your God reigns, your God reigns!  
Your God reigns, your God reigns,  
Your God reigns, your God reigns!

Waste places of Jerusalem  
Break forth with joy,  
We are redeemed, redeemed.



The Church is fitted with a loop system. If you use a hearing aid, please change it to the "T" setting.

The Lord has saved  
And comforted his people:

Your God reigns, your God reigns!  
Your God reigns, your God reigns,  
Your God reigns, your God reigns!

Ends of the earth,  
See salvation of your God,  
Jesus is Lord, is Lord.  
Before the nations  
He has bared his holy arm:  
Your God reigns, your God reigns!  
Your God reigns, your God reigns,  
Your God reigns, your God reigns!

**Prayers of adoration and recognition  
of our needs**

**Hymn: CH4 334**

**On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry**

Announces that the Lord is nigh;  
Awake and hearken for he brings  
Glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every heart from sin;  
Make straight the way for God within;  
Prepare we in our hearts a home,  
Where such a mighty Guest may come.

For you are our Salvation, Lord,  
Our refuge, and our great Reward.  
Without your grace we waste away,  
Like flowers that wither and decay.

Stretch out your hand, to heal our sore,  
And make us rise to fall no more;  
Once more upon your people shine,  
And fill the world with love divine.

All praise to you, eternal Son,  
whose advent has our freedom won.  
whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit, evermore.

**Gospel Reading:**



Mark 1: 1-8

**Hymn: CH4 596**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God;**

Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love the way you love,  
And do what you would do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
Until my heart is pure,  
Until with you I will one will,  
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
Direct my heart's desire,  
Till every earthly part of me  
Glows with your holy fire.

Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
So shall I never die,  
But live with you the perfect life  
Of your eternity.

**Sermon**

**Offering**

(As the offering is brought forward we stand and sing Hymn CH4 505 verse 1)

**All that I am, all that I do,**  
All that I'll ever have I offer now to you.  
Take and sanctify these gifts for your  
honour, Lord.  
Knowing that I love and serve you is  
enough reward.  
All that I am, all that I do,  
All that I'll ever have I offer now to you.

**Prayers of thanksgiving and  
intercession and Lord's 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.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
And the glory are yours  
Now and forever.  
Amen

**Hymn: CH4 473**

**'Thy kingdom come!' – On bended  
knee**

The passing ages pray;  
And faithful souls have yearned to see  
On earth that kingdom's day.

But the slow watches of the night  
Not less to God belong;  
And for the everlasting right  
The silent stars are strong.

And lo, already on the hills  
The flags of dawn appear;  
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,  
proclaim the day is near:

The day in whose clear-shining light  
All wrong shall stand revealed,  
When justice shall be throned with might,  
And every hurt be healed:

When knowledge, hand in hand with  
peace,  
Shall walk the earth abroad,  
The day of perfect righteousness,  
The promised day of God.

**Dismissal and Benediction**

**Three-fold Amen (Sung)**

**'Cromarty, Forth, Tyne, north-west four  
or five, increasing six or seven,**

perhaps gale eight later, showers,  
good.'

## To know Christ and make him known

Henri Nouwen

### Spiritual Living

If you were to ask me point-blank: "What does it mean to you to live spiritually?" I would have to reply: "Living with Jesus at the centre." There are always countless questions, problems, discussions and difficulties that demand one's attention. Despite this, the person of Jesus has come to be more and more important to me. Specifically, what matters is getting to know Jesus and living in solidarity with him. There was a time when I got so immersed in problems of Church and society that my whole life had become a sort of drawn-out, wearisome discussion. Jesus had been pushed into the background or had himself become just another problem. Fortunately, it hasn't stayed that way. Jesus has stepped out in front again, so to speak, and asked me: "And you, who do you say that I am?" It has become clearer to me than ever that my personal relationship with Jesus is the heart of my existence. It is about Jesus, above all, that I want to write to you, and I want to do so in a personal way.

Henri Nouwen

### Jesus embraces not only vulnerability, but obscurity, too

The greatest part of Jesus' life is a hidden life. It is a life lived under the authority of his parents during which he grew to maturity and increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and people. Although the gospels remain silent about this period of Jesus' life, this silence is very revealing. It reveals that the good news is first of all that God came to live among us, to be Emmanuel, God with us, and to share the ordinariness of our daily existence. Jesus wanted to be known as we are known.



Jesus heals the blind man (Rembrandt)

### The East Church Prayer

Loving God

Help us, your people of the East Church, to grow together with you in faith, love and fellowship, so that whatever our age, whatever our skills and whatever our knowledge we can learn to know, love and serve you more each day. Amen.

### Prayer requests

**Please pray** this week for the applicants for the new post of Chief Officer to the Trustee body for the work of the Special Commission and the Radical Action Plan. Bless those candidates who are invited to attend and the interview group as they meet with each of them. Grant discernment to know your will. Make it clear to them who is the person for this responsible job.

**If you would like a prayer request on the order of service, please e-mail it to**

**Alan  
Flowers**

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**The Church Office will be closed on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th August.**

**Thursday 22nd August**

Friendship Lunch 12 noon – 1pm. Main Hall. Cost £4.00

**Tuesday 27th August**

Messy Church. Fun Messy Crafts Songs Stories & Dinner. 6Everyone is welcome!  
3:30pm – 5:30pm. For more info please contact [messychurchbanchory@gmail.com](mailto:messychurchbanchory@gmail.com) or the church office 01330 820380

**Tuesday 27th August**

Kirk Session meeting 7.30pm in the St Ternan Room.

**Thursday 5th September**

Concert by Banchory Strathspey & Reel Society at 7.15 pm in the East Church. Tickets £6.00. Refreshments after in the hall.

**Saturday 14th September**

Kincardine & Deeside Guilds Together **Big Guild Quiz** 7pm in Banchory East Church Hall. Cost £4.00 per person (in aid of the Guild Projects). Nibbles & Refreshments served.



Tea, Coffee and Juice will be served in the hall after the service.

**If you would like to catch up to the sermons, prayers and children's talks they are available on the web site, [www.banchoryeastchurch.com](http://www.banchoryeastchurch.com). You can also e-mail prayer requests to [prayer@banchoryeastchurch.com](mailto:prayer@banchoryeastchurch.com)**

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