

# *Banchory Ternan East Church*

*19th January 2020*

*10.30 am*

*To know Christ and make him known*



## **Welcome and Call to worship**

**Hymn: CH4 81**

**I to the hills will lift mine eyes.**

From whence doth come mine aid?  
My safety cometh from the Lord,  
Who heaven and earth hath made.

Thy foot he'll not let slide, nor will  
He slumber that thee keeps.  
Behold, he that keeps Israel,  
He slumbers not, nor sleeps.

The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy  
shade  
On thy right hand doth stay:  
The moon by night thee shall not smite,  
Nor yet the sun by day.

The Lord shall keep thy soul; he shall  
Preserve thee from all ill.  
Henceforth thy going out and in  
God keep for ever will.

## **Prayers of adoration**



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

## **Activity Time**

**Hymn:**

**Everybody has a wobble from time to time,**

Everybody has some shake rattle and roll  
In their lives.

Everybody has a wobble from time to time,

Everybody has some shake rattle and roll  
In their lives.

It's not wrong to have some questions,  
It's not wrong to have some doubts,  
But sometimes we need help from our  
friends to work things out.  
To the promises he's made us,  
We must learn to hold on tight,  
'cos no way will he leave us,  
Even in the darkest night,

***Children continue worship over in the halls.***

## **Prayers of recognition of our needs**

**Hymn: CH4 255 T. Sussex  
Father, hear the prayer we offer:**

Not for ease that prayer shall be,  
But for strength that we may ever  
Live our lives courageously.

Not for ever in green pastures  
Do we ask our way to be;  
But the steep and rugged pathway  
May we tread rejoicingly.

Not for ever by still waters  
Would we idly rest and stay;  
But would smite the living fountains  
From the rocks along our way.

Be our strength in hours of weakness,  
In our wanderings be our guide;  
Through endeavour, failure, danger,

Father, be thou at our side.

**Gospel Reading:**

Luke 4: 1-13



**Hymn: CMP 921**

**Purify my heart,**

Let me be as gold and precious silver;

Purify my heart,

Let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one  
desire*

*Is to be holy,*

*Set apart for you, Lord;*

*I choose to be holy,*

*Set apart for you, my master,*

*Ready to do your will.*

Purify my heart,

Cleanse me from within and make me  
holy;

Purify my heart,

Cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one  
desire*

**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: CMP 760**

**When we walk with the Lord**

In the light of his word,

What a glory he sheds on our way!

While we do his good will,

He abides with us still,

And with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey*

*For there's no other way*

*To be happy in Jesus,*

*But to trust and obey.*

Not a burden we bear,

Not a sorrow we share,

But our toil he doth richly repay;

Not a grief not a loss,

Not a frown nor a cross,

But it blest if we trust and obey.

*Trust and obey...*

But we never can prove

The delights of his love,

Until all on the altar we lay;

For the favour he shows,

And the joy he bestows

Are for them who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey...*

Then in fellowship sweet,

We will sit at his feet,

Or we'll walk by his side in the way.

What he says we will do,

Where he sends we will go,

Never fear, only trust and obey.

*Trust and obey...*

**Dismissal and Benediction**

### **Three-fold Amen (Sung)**

**Luke 4:** Jesus was led into the desert after his baptism and spent 40 days alone with God, wrestling with His God-given role - 'You are my beloved Son' - and how He would fulfil it. Jesus knew He couldn't live on material things alone; He came from God His home is in God. He needs to feed on God and encourage others to do likewise. How much time do we spend alone with God, listening to Him, seeking to live in God's way, not our own? The second temptation has to do with power and fulfilling other people's expectations. Jesus resists this way of winning the world. He will worship only God and the power He chooses is the power of Love, the way of humility, the way of peace, the way of poverty of spirit. The world in which we live knows little of this way. Is this the kind of path we are choosing day by day? God says to us, as He did to Jesus, 'You are my beloved child.' We need to reflect on the person God wants us to be and live out of our belovedness. The third temptation was to offer proof to people of who Jesus was. People are still demanding that today. If only God would perform a miracle to prove his existence, then people would believe in Him. But God invites us to respond to Him in faith, the only miracle the miracle of God's love which transforms us and reveals God to the world. Let's spend time alone with God this week, opening ourselves to His love, remembering who we truly are - God's beloved one - and living out of that identity, no matter what it costs, bringing God into all our decisions and choices and relationships. This is the miracle the world is waiting to see - the miracle of a changed life. (Aileen's prayers)

### **Here are some verses from psalm 121 to reflect on from 'Psalms for praying.'**

You strengthen and uphold me,  
You, who are ever by my side.

For You are the Great counsellor;  
You dwell within all hearts.

You are the Light of our life.  
May You keep us from this time forth  
and forevermore.

### **Prayer**

O God, we praise thee for the arching sky and the blessed winds, for the driving clouds and the stars on high, for the trees and for the grass under our feet. We thank thee for our senses by which we can see the splendour of the morning and hear the happy song of birds, and smell the breath of spring. Grant us, we pray, hearts wide open to all this joy and beauty, lest we pass heedless and unseeing when the thorn bush by the wayside is aflame with thy glory. Amen.

### **Prayer requests**

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

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## Flowers

...today have been donated in memory of Freda & Kevin Murray and will be distributed by Lex Corris



## Thursday 23rd January

**Friendship Lunch** 12 noon - 1pm in the main hall. Cost £4.00. All welcome.

## Tuesday 28th January

**Kirk Session** meeting 7.30pm in the St Ternan Room.



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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