

Banchory Ternan East Church

31st March 2019

10.30 am



Welcome and Call to worship

We say together these verses from Romans:

ALL:

Let love be genuine
Hate what is evil
Hold fast to that which is good
Love one another in mutual affection
Outdo one another in showing honour
Do not lag in zeal
Be ardent in spirit
Serve the Lord

Hymn: CH4 181

For the beauty of the earth,

For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:

*Christ, our God, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light:

For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony



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

Linking sense to sound and sight:

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

For each perfect gift and sign
Of your love so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven:

Prayers of adoration

Let us pray together:

ALL:

Loving creator, mother and father of us
all, universal parent, we gather here this
day to show our love and care for you.
You revealed the depth of your love by
sending Jesus into the world: we delight
to know him and are glad to follow him.

ALAN:

Together we are called to help others
discover your love and guide them in the
Way of Jesus.

Fill us so full of love that it pours out
freely from us and extends to all the
people we meet.

ALL:

We long to see your love fill every nook
and cranny of our world, to flow freely
from and to all people.

Help us make it so. Amen.

Activity Time

Hymn: CH4 564

Jesus loves me! This I know,

For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong;
They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes! Jesus loves me,

Yes! Jesus loves me,

Yes! Jesus loves me,

The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know:
He loved children long ago;
He can always make me glad,
Even when I'm feeling sad.

Yes! Jesus loves...

Jesus loves me! He will stay
Close beside me all the way;
He will always be my friend,
And his love will never end.

Yes! Jesus loves...

Children continue worship over in the halls.

Prayers of recognition of our needs

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*

Gospel Reading:

Luke 14: 34: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32



Hymn: CH4 527

**Lord, make us servants of your
peace:**

Where there is hate, may we sow love;

Where there is hurt, may we forgive;
Where there is strife, may we make one.

Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;
Where all is gloom, may we sow hope.
Where all is night, may we sow light;
Where all is tears, may we sow joy.

Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek
To be consoled, but to console,
Nor look to understanding hearts,
But look for hearts to understand.

May we not look for love's return,
But seek to love unselfishly,
For in our giving we receive,
And in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying, we live, and are reborn
Through death's dark night to endless
day;
Lord, make us servants of your peace
To wake at last in heaven's light.

Sermon

Offering during which the choir will sing:
'There's a wideness in God's mercy'

T. Corvedale

(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 553 T. Saffron Walden
Just as I am, without one plea**

But that your blood was shed for me,
And that you call us, 'Come to me',
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am you will receive
Will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because your promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – your love unknown
Has broken every barrier down –
Now to be yours, and yours alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth, and height
to prove,
Here for a season, then above –
O Lamb of God, I come.

Dismissal and Benediction

Three-fold Amen (Sung)

Daily Readings

From the International Bible Reading Association.

Finding

- **Sunday, March 31, 2019:** Habakkuk 3: 17-19a
- **Monday, April 1, 2019:** Hosea 14: 1-9
- **Tuesday, April 2, 2019:** Matthew 7: 7-11
- **Wednesday, April 3, 2019:** Psalm 107: 1-9
- **Thursday, April 4, 2019:** Isaiah 41: 17-20
- **Friday, April 5, 2019:** Mark 8: 1-10
- **Saturday, April 6, 2019:** John 12: 24-26

Prayer requests

Please pray this week for the people in Zimbabwe and Malawi who were affected by the cyclone. Pray that they get the help required especially those in remote areas.

Please pray this week for the family of Liam Smith who got the heart-breaking news of his death. Give them the strength to try and come to terms with what's happened.

Give thanks this week for the music department and teachers at Banchory Academy who entertained at the Pastoral Care Tea & Music afternoon and the end of term school service.

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

AJSMurray@churchofscotland.org.uk

Flowers

...today have been donated by Lex Corris and will be distributed by Nancy Montgomery



Sunday 7th April

Concert 'Dreamers' by Jennifer Murray & Isabel Lindsay 3pm in Banchory East Church. They will be performing a selection of well-known operatic and musical theatre arias including: *Ah Je Veux Vivre*, *Glitter and be Gay*, *The Sun Whose Rays*, and *The Girl in 14G*. Donations to East Church. Refreshments to follow.

Easter Services

Thursday 18th April

Maundy Thursday Service 7.30pm Joint communion at the West Church

Friday 19th April

Good Friday Walk with the Cross **7.30am**. Gather outside the East Church.
Good Friday Evening Service 7.30pm in the East Church.

Sunday 21st April

Platties Service 9am followed by Hot Cross Buns and tea/coffee in the East Church Hall.
Easter Day Service 10.30am followed by a short communion.



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. You can also e-mail prayer requests to prayer@banchoryeastchurch.com