GREYFRIARS ST CUTHBERT'S

Sunday Service at St Cuthbert's

The Revd Dr George Whyte *Interim Moderator*
Mr Graham Maclagan *Director of Music*

Remembrance Sunday
The Third Sunday before Advent

Sunday 8 November 2026

A warm welcome to Greyfriars St Cuthbert's.

On this day, **Remembrance Sunday**, we remember before God all those who fought, were injured, and gave their lives in times of war and conflict. The appointed liturgical colour for this day of remembrance is **red**.

This morning, we welcome back the **Revd Suzie Stark** to lead our worship. We also welcome **Mr Graeme Brownlee** as Organist and Choirmaster

Hymns are unannounced and sung standing unless otherwise indicated. Please ask one of the Duty Elders if there is not a hymnbook (purple Church Hymnary) near your seat.

The text of the **Psalm** can be found in this Order of Service. The **Alleluia**, the **Creed** and the **Lord's Prayer** can be found in the hymnbook at the numbers indicated.

Bible Readings are taken from the New Revised Standard Version. Please ask one of the Duty Elders if you would like a copy.

Congregational responses are printed in **bold**. The congregation is encouraged to join in with the saying of **'Amen'** at the end of prayers.

Please join us after the service in the Lammermuir Hall for tea and coffee.

All our services are available for viewing at any time on our YouTube channel. If you do not wish to be seen on the broadcast, please make your wishes known.

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APPROACH TO GOD

INTROIT

O valiant hearts, who to your glory came
through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our dead,
whose cross has bought them and whose staff has led,
in glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
commits her children to thy gracious hand.

Text: John Stanhope Arkwright (1872-1954)
Music: The Revd Dr Charles Harris (1865-1936)

OPENING SENTENCE

God is our refuge and our stronghold,
a timely help in trouble;
so we are not afraid though the earth shakes.

Psalm 46:1-2

PROCESSIONAL HYMN **161 O God, our help in ages past**

CALL TO PRAYER please remain standing

PRAYERS OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION

Lord, have mercy. please be seated
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT FOR REMEMBRANCE

Almighty God, keep us mindful of all your benefits
and heedful of our high calling,
that we may yield ourselves
in new obedience to your holy will,
and live henceforth as those who are not their own,
but are bought with a price;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you
and also with you.

HYMN **706 For the healing of the nations**

THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENT — Isaiah 25: 1-9

EPISTLE — Revelation 22: 1-5

PSALM 20 — Tune at Hymn 76

1 Jehovah hear thee in the day
when trouble he doth send:
and let the name of Jacob's God
thee from all ill defend.

2 O let him help send from above,
out of his sanctuary:
from Zion, his own holy hill,
let him give strength to thee.

3 In thy salvation we will joy;
in our God's name we will
display our banners: and the Lord
thy prayers all fulfill.

4 Now know I God his king doth save:
he from his holy heav'n
will hear him, with the saving strength
by his own right hand giv'n.

5 We rise, and upright stand, when they
are bowed down, and fall.
Deliver, Lord; and let the King
us hear, when we do call.

6 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
be glory, as it was, and is,
and shall be evermore. Amen.

The Scottish Psalter, 1929, Psalm 20: 1-2, 5-6, 8-9

THE GOSPEL — St Matthew 5: 38-48

ALLELUIA — *the music can be found at* **Hymn 751**

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

CALL TO REMEMBRANCE

LAST POST – **TWO-MINUTE SILENCE** – REVEILLE

LAYING OF THE WREATHS

THE SERMON — The Revd Suzie Stark

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

Pie Jesu Domine,
Dona eis requiem.
Pie Jesu Domine,
Dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Pious Lord Jesus,
Give them rest.
Pious Lord Jesus,
Give them everlasting rest.

Text from the *Dies Irae*, exact origin unknown
Music: Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

THE APOSTLES' CREED — *the text can be found at* **Hymn 628**

HYMN — **712 What shall we pray for those who died**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

One of the following responses may be used:
Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**
Lord, hear us: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

The OFFERING *is collected, and received during the singing of:*

DOXOLOGY — Hymn 806

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
be glory, as it was, and is,
and shall be evermore.

SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING and THE LORD'S PRAYER — *the text can be found at* **Hymn 652, second form (b)**

DISMISSAL HYMN — **704 I vow to thee, my country**

ACT OF COMMITMENT

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women:

Lord God our Father,
we pledge ourselves to serve you
and all humankind, in the cause of peace,
for the relief of want and suffering,
and for the praise of your name.
Guide us by your Spirit;
give us wisdom; give us courage;
give us hope; and keep us faithful
now and always. Amen.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King;
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the King!

Church Hymnary, Fourth Edition, Hymn 703
Text: Author unknown, from the version of 1745
Music: Origin unknown, popularised in 1745

BLESSING

God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to the Church, The King, the Commonwealth,
and all humankind, peace and concord;
and to us and all God servants, life everlasting;

and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
rest upon you and remain with you now and evermore.

Dresden Amen

Music: Johann Naumann (1741-1801)

ORGAN RECESSIONAL

Nimrod *from* Enigma Variations Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

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Weekly Intimations

Prayerful Practice

We remember all those who have died in conflict.
We pray for an end to war. We pray for peace.
"Oh, Holy Spirit, let me be a candle of comfort in this world.
Let me, let us, burn with peace"
Based on a poem by John Roedel

Christmas Market Road Closure

It appears that works for this year's Christmas Market have started earlier than usual, and Kings Stables Road has the barriers up already. This is a reminder that we are allowed access. The suggested course of action is to come from the Grassmarket End of the KS Road, and let the gatesmen know that you are here to go to St Cuthbert's Church. You should then be let through.

Today

Following the service today, there will be a short service of Holy Communion in the Anam Chara Chapel. All are welcome.
There will be a retiring collection taken in aid of Poppy Scotland.

Sunday 15th November 2026

Next week, we welcome the Rev David Rodriguez to lead our worship.

Thursday 19th November, 7pm: OASIS Quiz for FreshStart

We will be holding our Annual OASIS Quiz on 19th November this year. Doors will open at 7, with the quiz to start at 7.30pm. There will be soup and bread available, and you are welcome to bring a bottle of wine to share with your team. Teams are limited to 5, with a suggested donation of £10 per team. All money raised will go to FreshStart. Please register teams with the church office at office@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk, in order that we can ensure numbers for catering.

Tuesday Coffee Morning, 10.30am – noon

Pop along for a coffee and a chat. This is held in the Lindisfarne Room.

Sunday 22nd November, 7.30pm – Scottish Sinfonia, Bruch Violin Concerto

One of the best loved of all works for violin, the concerto by Max Bruch is the centrepiece of our November programme, in which we are delighted to welcome Ruth Rogers as our soloist. Ruth is Leader and Director of The London Mozart Players. There will also be works by Brahms, Delius and Dyson.

Saturday Coffee Mornings

28th November 11am-2pm

Please note there is no Saturday Coffee Morning in December

30th January 2027 11am-2pm

FreshStart

FreshStart are very grateful for all our donations of household items and non-perishable food. Please continue to place your donations in "The Big White Box" in the vestibule. If you are unable to deliver them, please telephone Jim McLean on **0131 332 5114** and leave a message with your name, phone number and that the call is about FreshStart, or email **jamesangusmclean@gmail.com**

Prayer Circle

Prayer requests should be made to **Irene Gill** on **0131 226 2727**. For longer term prayer, please add names to the purple book in the vestibule. If you could be part of the Prayer Circle and spend time praying for others, please contact Irene.

Bible Fellowship Group Meetings from 3rd September

All are welcome to the Thursday nights Bible Fellowship meetings from 7.30pm to 8.45pm via Zoom. Our next subjects are the speeches by Paul in Acts. If you have not tried such a group before, please give this one a try. You will receive a warm welcome. You can listen or join in the discussions as suits you. Zoom details from martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

Sanctuary Service – monthly at St John's Episcopal Church

All are welcome to the new candlelit Sanctuary service at St John's, Princes Street, featuring readings, silence, and live music drawn from jazz, gospel, and roots traditions. The next services will take place on Tuesday, 3 November and Tuesday, 1 December. The service will start at 6pm and last for an hour.

