

The Parish Church of St Cuthbert

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The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 6 July 2025

A warm welcome to worship.

Today is the **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**, and the liturgical colour for this period of Ordinary Time in the church year is **green**.

The choir are on holiday for the month of July. They return on Sunday 3 August.

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.

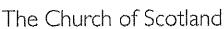
Bible Readings are taken from the New Revised Standard Version. Please ask one of the Duty Elders if you would like a copy.

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.

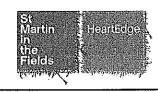
Please note this service is being filmed and broadcast live on the church's website and YouTube channel. If you do not wish to be seen, please make your wishes known.











APPROACH TO GOD

OPENING SENTENCES

Do not flag in zeal, be ardent with the Spirit,

serve the Lord.

We will rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering,

and persevere in prayer.

based on Romans 12: 11

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God.

GATHERING HYMN

482 Come, let us to the Lord our God

Paraphrase 30

First Tune

CALL TO PRAYER

please remain standing

please be seated

PRAYERS OF APPROACH

AND CONFESSION

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,

your Son Jesus Christ has taught us

that what we do for the least of your children

we do also for him.

Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,

who gave up his life and died for us,

but 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

554 Rock of ages cleft for me

THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENT

2 Kings 5: 1-14

EPISTLE

Galatians 6: 1-16

PSALM 66

1 Shout loud with joy to God; all earth, your chorus raise! Sing loud the honour of his name and glorious make his praise! Tune at Hymn 202

- 2 Speak thus to God the Lord: "How great your works of power! So overwhelming is your might that foes before you cower.
- 3 "All earth bows down to you; they sing aloud your fame. They never cease to celebrate the glory of your name.".
- 4 O peoples, praise our God; his praise in song repeat. He has preserved our soul alive, from slipping kept our feet.
- 5 To God, the Father, Son and Spirit, glory be – as was, and is, and shall be so, to all eternity. Amen.

Sing Psalms, The Free Church of Scotland, 2003, Psalm 66: 1-4, 8, 9

THE GOSPEL

St Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

ALLELUIA

the music can be found at Hymn 751

THE SERMON

The Revd Suzie Stark

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN

533 Will you come and follow me

THE APOSTLES' CREED

the text can be found at Hymn 628

PRAYERS OF

One of the following responses may be used:

INTERCESSION

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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise God all creatures here below;

praise God, the Trinity of love, before, beneath, around, above.

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

187 There's a wideness in God's mercy

DISMISSAL and BLESSING

Threefold Amen

Music: Danish

Hymn 808

ORGAN RECESSIONAL



The Parish Church of St Cuthbert, Edinburgh 6th July 2025

Weekly Intimations

Prayerful Practice

We hope to utilise this very first space in our intimations each Sunday to help us focus on a prayer topic for the week ahead. We have always been a prayerful congregation and it will be good for us to be able to remember important groups and dates as part of our own devotions at home.

Suggestions will be welcome, please feel free to speak with Suzie Stark about ideas for inclusion.

Next Sunday, 11.30am: Holy Communion in Anam Chara Chapel

All are welcome to attend a short service of Holy Communion, held after the 10.30 service next week, in the Anam Chara Chapel.

Tuesday 15th July, 1pm: soul space Planning Meeting

If you would like to be involved in our soul space planning team, feel free to join us for this meeting in the Melrose Room. If you would like to know more about soul space, please speak to Maggie, Bridget, or Suzie Stark.

Saturday Coffee Morning Dates and Times

Saturday 26th July – 11am-2pm Saturday 30th August – 10am-1pm

Tuesday Coffee Morning, 10.30am - noon

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

Prayer Circle

Prayer requests should be made to Irene Gill on 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

Bible Fellowship Group are now on Summer vacation, and commence again in early September.

Zoom details from martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

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**

Life and Work - July Edition

The July edition of Life and Work is now available from the magazine table in the corner of the Lammermuir Hall.

Steps to Hope

Our charity partner continues to provide, on Sunday and Monday evenings, a hot home-cooked meal for people who find themselves in difficult situations. Would you be interested or do you know of anyone who would like the opportunity to support the local community and volunteer to assist with the Sunday Meals at St Cuthberts? The main duty is to open and close the building to ensure that our Charity Partners can continue to provide their meal service. Please get in touch with the church office for more details.

Saturday 20th September, 9.30am-1pm: Christian Befriending Conference

All are invited to attend a conference on befriending held at Craiglockhart Parish Church on the above date. Whether you are an experienced befriender or have never heard of befriending, come along and find out the difference befriending can make. Please do get signed up on Eventbrite and an optional lunch is also available. Click the link below to book your place:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transformation-changing-livesthrough-befriending-tickets-1329975194609?aff=ebdssbdestsearch