

Greyfriars St Cuthbert's Church of Scotland

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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 2 August 2026

A warm welcome to St Cuthbert's.

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

This morning, we welcome the **Revd Angus Mathieson** to lead our worship.

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.



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APPROACH TO GOD

INTROIT

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord,
my spirit longs for thee, O living Word.

The Celebration Hymnal, Hymn 413: 1

Text: Mary Lathbury (1841-1913)

Music: 'Bread of Life', William Sherwin (1826-1888)

OPENING SENTENCES

God is good to all,
and God's compassion is over all God has made.
God upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

CALL TO WORSHIP

We have gathered here
to meet Jesus.
We have come seeking
the one who can heal us.
We are hungry
for the word of God that satisfies and gives us life.
We gather in this place
to taste Your goodness,
to lean on Your faithfulness,
to remember Your kindness.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

183 Fill now our life, O Lord our God

CALL TO PRAYER

please remain standing

PRAYERS OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

please be seated

ABSOLUTION

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom.
Renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by the true and living bread,
Jesus Christ your Son 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

103 Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Psalm 147

THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 32: 22-31

EPISTLE

Romans 9: 1-5

PSALM 17

**1 Lord, hear my righteous plea
and listen to my cry;
it does not rise deceitfully
or come from lips that lie.**

Tune at Hymn 491

**2 Declare me innocent
and vindicate my name;
Lord, may your eye see what is right
and free me from all blame.**

**4 I call on you, O God,
for you will answer me;
O turn your ear towards my prayer
and hear my earnest plea.**

**3 Though you examine me
and probe my heart and mind,
and though you test me in the night,
yet nothing you will find.**

**5 But I in righteousness
your face will surely see;
and with your likeness, when I wake,
I satisfied will be.**

**6 To thee be glory, Lord,
whom heaven and earth adore,
to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
one God for evermore. Amen.**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14: 13-21

ALLELUIA

the music can be found at Hymn 751

THE SERMON

The Revd Angus Mathieson

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum;
dat panis coelicus figuris terminum:
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum, pauper, servus et humilis.

*The bread of the angels becomes the bread of mortals;
the bread of heaven puts an end to figuration.
O wondrous thing!
The poor, the slave and the humble feed on their Lord.*

Text: St Thomas Aquinas (c.1225-1274)

Music: César Franck (1822-1890)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

the text can be found at Hymn 628

HYMN

268 O God of Bethel!

Paraphrase 2

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

**Glory to God the Father,
the unbegotten One;
all honour be to Jesus,
his sole-begotten Son;
and to the Holy Spirit -
the perfect Trinity.
Let all the worlds give answer,
'Amen, so let it be'.**

Hymn 814

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

167 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

DISMISSAL and BLESSING

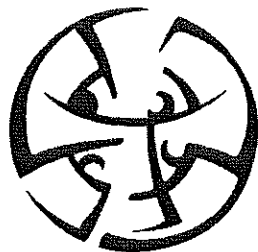
Threefold Amen

Music: Danish

ORGAN RECESSIONAL

Voluntary in E-flat major
Op.9, No.4

Jacob Kirkman (d.1812)



The Parish Church of St Cuthbert, Edinburgh

2nd August 2026

Weekly Intimations

Prayerful Practice

As we prepare to welcome the Edinburgh International Festival, we hold in prayer all who will perform, create, organise, host, and care for this great gathering of art and culture. May those who offer their gifts be strengthened with joy, those who support behind the scenes be upheld in their labour, and all who attend be met with welcome, safety, and delight.

Today

We welcome Rev Angus Mathieson to lead us in worship today. You will also find a copy of our Fringe Programme in your Order of Service. We hope that you enjoy the wide selection of events on offer this year.

Tuesday 4th August, 7pm: Meeting of the United Session of Greyfriars St Cuthberts

The first meeting of the United Session will be held in the Lindisfarne Room this Tuesday evening.

Sunday 9th August, 11.30am: Holy Communion in Anam Chara

Next Sunday's service will be followed by a short service of Holy Communion in the Anam Chara. All are welcome.

Tuesday Coffee Morning, 10.30am – noon

Pop along for a coffee and a chat. Throughout the Festival, these will be held in the Melrose Room.

Saturday Coffee Mornings

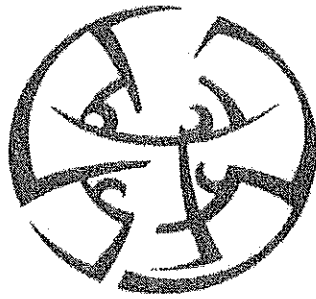
29 th August	10am-1pm (In Lindisfarne Room)
26 th September	10am-1pm (In Lindisfarne Room)
31 st October	11am-2pm

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.





The Edinburgh Festival
fringe


GREYFRIARS
an inspiring community

Greyfriars St Cuthberts Festival Programme 2026 for St Cuthberts

Friday 7th August

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

Saturday 8th August

3pm: Code of Grace (Classical Music Performance)

4.30pm: Code of Grace

Monday 10th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death (Physical Theatre Performance)

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Tuesday 11th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

12.30pm: Bach Cello Suites

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Wednesday 12th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

12.30pm: Bach Cello Suites

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Thursday 13th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

12.30pm: Bach Cello Suites

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Friday 14th August

12.30pm: Bach Preludes and Giges

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Saturday 15th August

11.45am: Get Up and Gospel

4pm: The Really Terrible Orchestra

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Sunday 16th August

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Monday 17th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Tuesday 18th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death (Physical Theatre Performance)

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Wednesday 19th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death (Physical Theatre Performance)

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Thursday 20th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death (Physical Theatre Performance)

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Friday 21st August

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Saturday 22nd August

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Sunday 23rd August

8pm: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

Monday 24th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Tuesday 25th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Wednesday 26th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Thursday 27th August

12noon: Whale Fall or Sing to Dance with My Death

7.30pm: Amazing Family Comedy Bingo

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

9pm: Amy Winehouse Celebration

Friday 28th August

8pm: Fringe Ceilidhs

Sunday 30th August

7.30pm: Scottish Sinfonia