

# ST NINIAN'S CHURCH

Corstorphine

Minister: Rev. James Aitken



The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and fellowship in the Holy Spirit, be with you all. (2 Corinthians 13: 14)

## *TRINITY SUNDAY*

**Order of Service**

**26<sup>th</sup> of May 2024**

**10.30am**

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Good morning and welcome to everyone who has joined us at St. Ninian's this morning. We hope you will enjoy our worship of God together today. As a congregation our mission is to **'Worship God together, encourage personal faith and prayer, spread the Good News about Jesus Christ, and love and care for others in our community.'** If you are a visitor, there is a **visitors' book** at the front door, please sign it. After the service we have **fellowship** in the Martin Shields' Hall, please join us.

For young people, there is a **crèche** and **Sunday School** this morning. The reader this morning is: **Suzanne Hope**. The organist is **Anne Kirkpatrick**. Leading worship is the **Rev. James Aitken**.

This Sunday is **Trinity** Sunday. Although every Christian worship service is a celebration of the Trinity, Trinity Sunday focuses explicitly on God as three-in-one, Father, Son and Spirit. Whereas other liturgical services are tied to specific events (Christmas, Easter, Pentecost), this celebration is linked to a doctrine, which is summary of scriptural teaching about God's being. Following the Easter Season, the Church traditionally celebrates the Trinity on the Sunday after Pentecost.

Following worship there is fellowship, friendship, and refreshments in the Martin Shields' Hall. Please join us.

St. Ninian's uses the Revised Common Lectionary which is an approved week-by-week, three-year cycle of biblical readings. In 2024 we are in Year B and the principal Gospel readings come from the **Gospel of Mark**. The readings lead us from Advent through the Christian year, the Bible, and Jesus' life through birth, baptism, his public ministry, his death, resurrection and ascension.

## ENTRANCE

The service begins with a **sentence from the Bible** (2 Cor 13: 14), a **call to stand** (please do so if you are able to), an **introit** from the choir, and the **entrance of the Bible**. For the rest of the service the words in bold are read or sung by everyone. We sit to pray and stand to sing.

## INTROIT

WELCOME, INTIMATIONS and SHARING OF THE PEACE  
We welcome one another with Christ's words 'Peace be with you'.

## APPROACH TO GOD

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: We come from scattered lives to this sanctuary:

**Congregation: to seek our unity in the Spirit;**

Minister: to seek the grace of Jesus Christ;

**Congregation: to seek the peace of God the Father;**

Minister: God's people have gathered:

**Congregation: let us worship him together.**

**HYMN 111** Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty

### PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION & LORD'S PRAYER

*We continue our worship celebrating what God has given us while apologizing for what we have done to harm God, his creation, and his people.*

**Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6: 1 – 8

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### CHILDREN'S ADDRESS

**HYMN 116** Loving Creator

*Children leave for Sunday School. Visiting children are welcome to join in.*

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8: 12 – 17

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**ANTHEM** Break Forth into Joy

### SERMON

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

**HYMN 132** Immortal, invisible, God only wise

### OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Freely given, our offering supports the work of Christ's church and symbolises our spiritual dedication to the building-up of the Kingdom of God. We remain seated to sing our dedication (**CH4 204**) -*

**I am the Church! You are the Church!  
We are the Church together!  
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,  
yes, we're the Church together.**

### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

*We give thanks for our blessings, and cry out for help for others and ourselves. During the prayers this response is used periodically:*

Minister: Lord in your mercy,  
**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

## SENDING OUT

### **HYMN 110**

Glory be to God the Father

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others, so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**