

ST NINIAN'S CHURCH

Corstorphine

Minister: Rev. James Aitken



"If only my master could meet the prophet who lives in Samaria,
he would get rid of the disease for him." 2 Kings 5:3

Good Directions

Order of Service

6th of July 2025

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.

Before the service there is weekly a **Prayer Group** that meets in Room 6 (the Alpha Room) from 10:00am – 10:15am. Everyone is welcome, please ask a steward for Room 6, the Alpha Room.

There is no **crèche** or **Sunday School** this morning. However, throughout July and August children are welcome to attend **Summer Sundays** in the Burns' Hall. There will be supervision as well as games and other activities. The organist is **Anne Kirkpatrick**. The reader this morning is **Phil Wheeler**. Leading worship is **Mrs Penny Brown**, St. Ninian's ministry student.

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 2025 we are in Year C and the principal Gospel readings come from the **Gospel of Luke**. 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** (Galatians 6: 7), 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 (using words from Psalm 30)

Leader: I will exalt you Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths

All: You did not let my enemies gloat over me!

Leader: Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me

All: Sing praises to the Lord, praise his holy name!

Leader: For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favour lasts a lifetime

All: Weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning!

HYMN 707 Healing river of the Spirit

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: 2 Kings 5: 1 – 14

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CHILDREN'S ADDRESS

God sent a little servant girl to speak for him. Will you speak up for God?

HYMN 250 Sent by the Lord am I

Children leave for activities in the hall. Visiting children are welcome to join in.

SCRIPTURE: Luke 10: 10 – 11, 16 – 20

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HYMN 360 Jesus Christ is waiting

SERMON *Good Directions*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

HYMN 456 Christ is the world's true light

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 807**) -*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

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: Hear us, O Lord, and be gracious to us.
Congregation: Turn our laments into dancing.

SENDING OUT

HYMN 251

I, the Lord of sea and sky

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.**