



St John the Baptist
Scottish Episcopal Church, Perth

Welcome to our worship

29th May, 2022, Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.30 a.m. **Holy Communion** (Scottish Prayer Book Page 326)
Celebrant, The Very Revd Graham Taylor, Rector

10.30 a.m. **Sung Eucharist** (Revised Scottish Liturgy 1982)
Celebrant, Revd Canon Shelley Marsh

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*You are welcome to join us for tea and coffee
in the Threshold after the 10.30 service*

The Collect

Almighty God, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Mercifully give us faith to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

A reading from Acts 16. 16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 17. 20-26

Glory to Christ our Saviour

‘I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

‘Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, may we who share Christ’s banquet be one with him as he is one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and ascended Lord.

Amen

TODAY at 12 - 2pm in the Threshold. ***‘Sharing in the Life of Prayer’***. All intercessors, potential intercessors and indeed anyone who would like to learn more about the life of prayer, are warmly invited to attend this session.

It will be an opportunity to draw alongside Dean Graham and Revd Annie for fellowship and lunch (provided) as they lead, discuss - and pray together! It is an exciting opportunity to gather, deepen our thoughts about prayer on a personal level and to ponder how as a community we can best sustain our commitment to prayerfulness in the days and months ahead.

**If you wish to attend please complete the sign up sheet
at the back of the church**

Forthcoming Services

Every Thursday, 11 a.m. *Holy Communion* followed by coffee and chat.

Tuesday 31st May

7.00 p.m.

Taizé Worship Service

Sunday 5th June

8.30 a.m.

Day of Pentecost

Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.

Sung Eucharist

Sunday 12th June

8.30 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.

Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 15th June at 9.30 am to 1 pm. *Meet & Fix Group* meeting

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The Church Administrator is in the Office:

Mondays 2 – 5 pm

Tuesdays 9 am – 1 pm

Thursdays 1 – 4 pm

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Assistant Curate's day off – MONDAYS**

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