

St John the Baptist Scottish Episcopal Church, Perth

Welcome to our worship

18th September 2022, Pentecost 15

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, The Very Revd Graham Taylor, Rector

Order of Servíce

Processional hymn Gathering Prayers Gloria Collect **First Readings** Gradual Hymn Gospel Talk Nicene Creed Intercessions Peace **Offertory Hymn** Eucharistic Prayer Lord's Prayer Communion Song Communion **Communion Hymn** Post Communion Prayer **Recessional Hymn** Dismissal

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

A reading from Amos 8. 4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, 'When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practise deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.'

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

A reading from 1 Timothy 2. 1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

The Gospel Reading Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 16. 1-13 Glory to Christ our Saviour

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

> Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel. Praise to Christ our Lord.

Oh the life of the world

Oh the life of the world is a joy and a treasure, unfolding in beauty the green-growing tree, the changing of seasons in mountain and valley the stars and the bright restless sea.

Oh the life of the world is a fountain of goodness overflowing in labour and passion and pain, in the sound of the city and the silence of wisdom, in the birth of a child once again.

Oh the life of the world is the source of our healing. It rises in laughter and wells up in song; it springs from the care of the poor and the broken and refreshes where justice is strong.

So give thanks for the life and give love to the maker and rejoice in the gift of the bright risen Son. And walk in the peace and power of the Spirit till the days of our living are done.

DONATIONS REQUIRED

Donations of Autumnal foliage would be gratefully received for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 25th September. Please speak to Christine Bracewell for further details.

ROTARY CALENDARS

Due to a printing error it is requested that anyone who has purchased a Rotary Calendar from Bishop Bruce please return them and a replacement will be given when the new stocks arrive. Further calendars are still available to buy with all proceeds going to St John's.

Forthcoming Services

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

Sunday 25th September 8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.

Harvest Thanksgiving Holy Communion Sung Eucharist

Sunday 2nd October 8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.

Pentecost 17 Holy Communion Sung Eucharist

<u>Sunday 18th September</u> – or as soon as possible thereafter all final entries for Quest. All entries to our editor, Mr David Willlington. <u>dwillington@hotmail.com</u>

<u>Sunday 25th September</u>. Please bring donations for the Foodbank to the Harvest Thanksgiving Service. Items needed are: Coffee (small jars/packets), Instant packet meals (e.g. Cuppa Soups, Pot Noodles, Pasta'n'Sauce), Jam, Soup, Sweets/crisps/biscuits.

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> The Church Administrator is in the Office: Mondays 2 – 5 pm Tuesdays 9 am – 1 pm Thursdays 1 – 4 pm Rector's day off – FRIDAYS Assistant Curate's day off – MONDAYS

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