

St John the Baptist Scottish Episcopal Church, Perth Welcome to our worship

14th September 2025, Season of Creation 2

8.30 a.m. **Holy Communion** Leader, Alastair Cruickshank, Reserved Sacrament

10.30 a.m. **Sung Eucharist** (Revised Scottish Liturgy 1982) Celebrant, Revd Mariusz Wojciechowski, Assistant Priest

Order of Service - Please follow separate booklet

Processional hymn 337 I will sing the wondrous story

Welcome Gloria Collect

First Readings Jeremiah 4. 11-12, 22-28; 1 Timothy 1. 12-17

Gradual Hymn 121 Come, let us sing

Gospel Luke 15. 1-10

Sermon Revd Mariusz Wojciechowski

Nicene Creed

Intercessions Jackie Thomson

Peace

Offertory Hymn The Lord's my shepherd (see separate sheet)

Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

Communion All are welcome

Communion Hymn 463 My song is love unknown

Post Communion Prayer

Recessional Hymn 689 Thy hand, O God, has guided

Dismissal

You are welcome to join us for tea or coffee in the Threshold after the 8.30 am and 10.30 a.m. services

A reading from Jeremiah 4. 11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse— a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them.

'For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.'

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

A reading from 1 Timothy 1. 12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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The Gospel Reading Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 15. 1-10 Glory to Christ our Saviour

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'These fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Dean Graham will be holiday from Monday 8th until Sunday 21st September inclusive. Bishop Bruce will be available on 01738 441172 if you have any pastoral requirements.



Diocesan Gathering: Saturday 4th October from 10 am to 3.30 pm in St Ninian's Cathedral, Perth.

Please register for the event by emailing: Dr Bethany Nelson bethanyn@scotland.anglican.org .

Forthcoming Services and Events

Every Thursday, 11 a.m. *Holy Communion (1982)* followed by coffee and chat.

Sunday 21st September

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Sunday 28th September

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Season of Creation 3

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist and healing prayers

Harvest Thanksgiving

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist

<u>Sunday 14th September</u> – or as soon as possible thereafter all final entries for Quest. All entries to the editor, Mr David Willington.

dwillington@hotmail.com

Peace with Creation Eco group invite you to: Wednesdays 17 & 24 September @ 7.00pm Threshold. Bishop Ian welcome & prayers

Tearfund film clips asking: Is the climate crisis a poverty issue? Are there not more important issues to consider? Is it too late to do anything? Tea/coffee followed by video-clips and conversation with questions.

More info: Cath 07884 406780 or Elaine 07977 416250

Transport queries please contact Elaine Cameron on 441172

<u>Sunday 28th September</u> at 5pm in the Church. Robin Miller, Piano Recital. There are fliers at the back of church, if you can help distribute these that would be much appreciated.

Rotary Calendars 2026. Will be on sale from Bishop Bruce from Sunday 21st September onwards - Price £5 per calendar. All proceeds raised go to St John's. A sample copy is available to peruse at the back of the church today

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