



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

28<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Harvest Thanksgiving

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 Annie MacKay Hughes, Assistant Priest

*Order of Service* – Please follow separate booklet

<b>Processional hymn</b>	<b>133 Come, ye thankful people, come</b>
Welcome	
Gloria	
Collect	Deuteronomy 8. 7-18; 1 Timothy 2. 1-7
<b>Gradual Hymn</b>	<b>696 To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise</b>
Gospel	Matthew 6. 25-33
Sermon	Dean Graham Taylor
Nicene Creed	
Intercessions	Alan McPherson
Peace	
<b>Offertory Hymn</b>	<b>184 For the beauty of the earth</b>
Eucharistic Prayer	
Lord's Prayer	
Communion Song	
Communion	<i>All are welcome</i>
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	<b>400 Like a mighty river flowing</b>
Post Communion Prayer	
<b>Recessional Hymn</b>	<b>719 We plough the fields and scatter</b>
Dismissal	

*You are welcome to join us for Bring and  
Share Lunch in the Threshold after  
the 10.30 a.m. service*

### ***A reading from Deuteronomy 8. 7-18***

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

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 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 Savior, 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 Matthew 6. 25-33*

### **Glory to Christ our Saviour**

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**



**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.**

**Christine Cross is looking for donations of items to put into the hampers that she making up for a raffle for Church funds.**

*Autumn Church Clean*  
*Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10 a.m.*  
*Volunteers required*



# *Forthcoming Services and Events*

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

## **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

## **Season of Creation 5**

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist

## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

## **Pentecost 18**

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist

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

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October** at 10.30 a.m. ***The Prayer Group*** will meet at 35 St Mary's Drive, Perth. As always new members very welcome, if possible, please let Ruth know. Email: [ruth42caroline@gmail.com](mailto:ruth42caroline@gmail.com)

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October** at 2.30 p.m. ***St John's Fellowship meeting*** will take place in the Threshold. There will be a presentation by John Condie. Anyone with an interest in the history of St John's should come along. All are welcome.

## **St John the Baptist Scottish Episcopal Church, Perth**

**Rector – The Very Reverend Graham S. Taylor**  
**Assistant Priests – Reverend Annie MacKay Hughes**  
**Reverend Mariusz Wojciechowski**

Clergy can be contacted through the Church office on 01738 634999  
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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**  
**Revd Annie's day off – MONDAYS**

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