

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

5th October 2025, Creation 5

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 Service - Please follow separate booklet

Processional hymn 732 When all thy mercies, O my God

Welcome

Gloria

Collect Lamentations 1. 1-6; 2 Timothy 1. 1-14

Gradual Hymn 319 In Christ there is no east or west

Gospel Luke 17. 5-10

Sermon Dean Graham Taylor

Nicene Creed

Intercessions David MacKenzie Mills

Peace

Offertory Hymn 625 Take my life, and let it be

Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

Communion All are welcome

Communion Hymn 161 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Post Communion Prayer

Recessional Hymn 716 We have a gospel to proclaim

Dismissal

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

A reading from Lamentations 1. 1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal.

She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

A reading from 2 Timothy 1. 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.

Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,

but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher,

and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him.

Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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 17. 5-10 Glory to Christ our Saviour

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"

The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'?

Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.



Forthcoming Services and Events

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

Sunday 12th October

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Sunday 19th October

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Pentecost 18

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist

Pentecost 19

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist with healing prayers

Eco group invite you to watch the inspiring film 2040:

8th October @ 7.00pm Threshold.

Film last approximately 90 minutes and it is free admission

<u>Tuesday 7th October</u> 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

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

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 18th October at 10 a.m. Volunteers required



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