



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

14th June 2026, Pentecost 3

8.30 a.m. **Holy Communion** (Scottish Prayer Book Page 326)
Celebrant, Revd Canon Dr Carrie Applegath

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

Order of Service

ProceSSIONAL hymn	21 All people that on earth do dwell
Welcome	
Gloria	Pages 6-7
Collect	Overleaf
First Readings	Genesis 18. 1-15; Romans 5. 1-8
Gradual Hymn	336 I will enter his gates
Gospel	Matthew 9.35-10.8
Sermon	Dean Graham
Nicene Creed	Pages 7-8
Intercessions	David MacKenzie Mills
Peace	Page 8
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Communion	<i>All are welcome</i>
Communion Hymn	66 Be still and know that I am God
Post Communion Prayer	Overleaf and pages 29-30
Recessional Hymn	689 Thy hand, O God, has guided
Dismissal	Page 30

*You are welcome to join us for tea and coffee
in the Threshold after the 8.30 am 10.30 am services*
The Collect

O Lord, you always guide your people whom you build up on the foundation of your love: make us ever stand in awe of your Holy Name, and love you in equal measure; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

A reading from Genesis 18. 1-15

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, ‘My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.’ So they said, ‘Do as you have said.’ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, ‘Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.’ Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, ‘Where is your wife Sarah?’ And he said, ‘There, in the tent.’ Then one said, ‘I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.’ And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, ‘After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?’ The Lord said to Abraham, ‘Why did Sarah laugh, and say, “Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?” Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.’ But Sarah denied, saying, ‘I did not laugh’; for she was afraid. He said, ‘Oh yes, you did laugh.’

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

A reading from Romans 5. 1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for 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 Matthew 9. 35-10.8

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, as you give us the body and blood of your Son, guide us with your Holy Spirit, that we may honour you not only with our lips but also in our lives. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Forthcoming Services and Events

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

Sunday 21st June

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Pentecost 4

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist with Healing Prayers

Sunday 28th June

8.30 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

Patronal Festival

Holy Communion

Sung Eucharist

Sunday 21st June 2026 after the 1030 a.m. service the Vestry invite you to attend an extraordinary meeting. Further information will be given at the meeting. Please take time to attend if you are free.

TRANSPORT SURVEY

All members are invited to complete the Transport Survey which you will find on the pew. All completed survey forms should be returned by Sunday 28th June 2026. Thank you.

Wednesday 24th June in St John's Kirk at 1 pm. John the Baptist's day and when St John's Kirk will be celebrating its 900th anniversary. Our rector, Dean Graham, has been asked to take part in this service and will be preaching the sermon. All members are invited to join in this celebration.

Sunday 28th June 2026 after the 10.30 a.m. Patronal Festival service there will be a bring and share lunch. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church if you wish to contribute any items for the lunch. All welcome.

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Rector's day off – FRIDAYS

Please note the Office Administrator will be on Annual Leave w/c 15th June 2026 for a week.