

Cruden Parish Church of Scotland
10.00am, Sunday 11th July 2021
‘Listening to the heart of God’ Part 2 - The Bible



Welcome & Introduction.

Welcome to Cruden Parish Church! We are a congregation of the Church of Scotland serving the communities in and around the villages of Longhaven, Hatton, Cruden Bay and Whinnyfold. We also extend a special welcome to those unable to be physically present with us this morning and following the service online. Wherever you are and whatever your circumstances, we pray that you may know God's blessing and presence during this time of worship.

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever. (Psalm 136:1–3)

Let us worship God

Hymn 641 Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
 And His righteousness
 And all these things shall be added unto you
 Allelu, alleluia
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you
 Seek and ye shall find
 Knock and the door shall be opened unto you
 Allelu, alleluia

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- 3 You shall not live by bread alone
 But by every word
 That proceeds from the mouth of God
 Allelu, alleluia

Prayers of Approach & Lord's Prayer

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen*

Bible Readings

Isaiah 46:9-13

Remember the former things, those of long ago;
I am God, and there is no other;
I am God, and there is none like me.
I make known the end from the beginning,
from ancient times, what is still to come.
I say, 'My purpose will stand,
and I will do all that I please.'
From the east I summon a bird of prey;
from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose.
What I have said, that I will bring about;
what I have planned, that I will do.
Listen to me, you stubborn-hearted,
you who are now far from my righteousness.
I am bringing my righteousness near,
it is not far away;
and my salvation will not be delayed.
I will grant salvation to Zion,
my splendour to Israel.

2 Timothy 3: 10-17 A Final Charge to Timothy

You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and

Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God^[a] may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

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Hymn 34 O send thy light forth and they truth

- 1 O send thy light forth and thy truth;
let them be guides to me,
and bring me to thine holy hill,
even where thy dwellings be.
- 2 Then will I to God's altar go,
to God my chiefest joy:
yea, God, my God, thy name to praise
my harp I will employ.
- 3 Why art thou then cast down, my soul?
what should discourage thee?
Any why with vexing thoughts art thou
disquieted in me?
- 4 Still trust in God; for him to praise
good cause I yet shall have:
he of my countenance is the health,
my God that doth me save.

Church News (Printed at the end of the Order of Service)

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn Holy Spirit ever dwelling (Tune Abbots Leigh)

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling
 In the holiest realms of light;
 Holy Spirit, ever brooding
 O'er a world of gloom and night;
 Holy Spirit, ever raising
 Sons of earth to thrones on high;
 Living, life-imparting Spirit,
 Thee we praise and magnify.

- 2 Holy Spirit, ever living
 As the Church's very life;
 Holy Spirit, ever striving
 Through her in a ceaseless strife;
 Holy Spirit ever forming
 In the Church the mind of Christ;
 Thee we praise with endless worship
 For thy fruit and gifts unpriced.

- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working
 Through the Church's ministry;
 Quickening, strengthening, and absolving,
 Setting captive sinners free;
 Holy Spirit, ever binding
 Age to age, and soul to soul,
 In a fellowship unending
 Thee we worship and extol.

Dismissal and Blessing

So now we leave this space of worship,
may we know the blessing of summer.

Lord God, Creator of all things,
grant us refreshment of mind and body.
as we enjoy the long warm days of summer.

Go in peace.

May the blessing of God,
the Father, the Son
and the Holy Spirit
Be with you all forever more.

Amen



Cruden Parish Church News

Although the church is now open, Covid restrictions are still in place. We appreciate your support in maintaining social distancing, the wearing of facemasks, and sitting in the marked spaces. Also, a special thanks to our volunteers on door duty and providing an enhanced cleaning regime. The service will also be broadcast live via the Facebook Page and be available for later viewing. If you would like a copy of the Order of Service, which includes the words of the readings, hymns, intimations etc., please contact Sean.

Also due to the increased numbers of people wishing to attend church, the Kirk Session has agreed to make parts of balcony available. Like the main body of the church, social distancing is still required, and available seating will be appropriately signed.

‘On your marks!’ Summer Holiday Club

Our holiday club runs from Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th August 2021 at Mill Park, Station Road, Cruden Bay. We are looking for volunteers to help in an assortment of roles, including crafts, refreshments, admin, organising games for the very young etc. Please speak to Sean (07791 755976) or Janet (07790 934031) for more info.

Sponsored Walk for Christian Aid – 2.00 PM, Sunday 22nd August at Bennachie Visitor Centre

On the afternoon of Sunday 22nd August Magnus and Melville (Sean & Alison’s mischievous Westie and adorable Golden Retriever) will be doing a sponsored walk for Christian Aid up Bennachie. Dogs and well-behaved humans are also welcome! Why not bring a picnic? We meet up at 2.00 pm at Bennachie Visitor Centre (AB51 5HY)

You can support Magnus & Melville in church via the sponsorship form or on-line at [Sean Swindells is fundraising for Christian Aid \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/Sean-Swindells-is)

