

Because your Spirit is at work today:
Encouraging, enabling, surprising us,
ALL: We praise you.

Poor as we are, you give us hope:
Salt of the earth, you give us meaning and purpose
ALL: We praise you.

Amen

Hymn 622 We sing a love

Closing Responses

Leader: On our hearts and our houses

All: The blessing of God

Leader: In our coming and going

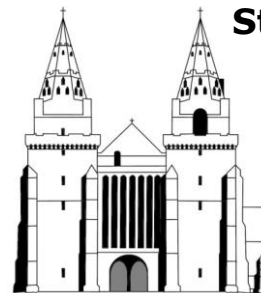
All: The peace of God

Leader: In our life and believing

All: The love of God

Leader: At our end and new beginning

All: The arms of God to welcome us and bring us home. Amen



St Machar's Cathedral, Old Aberdeen

**6.00pm
Evening Worship**

Sunday 14th July 2024

Conducted by Anne Loudon

The Lighting of the candle

Opening responses

Leader: The world belongs to God

ALL: The earth and all its people.

Leader: How good it is, how wonderful

ALL: To live together in unity

Leader: Love and faith come together

ALL: Justice and peace join hands

Leader: If Christ's disciples keep silent

ALL: These stones would shout aloud

Leader: Open our lips, O God

ALL: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise

Hymn 528 Make me a channel of your peace

Prayer

Leader: Holy God, Maker of all

ALL: Have mercy on us

Leader: Jesus Christ, servant of the poor

ALL: Have mercy on us

Leader: Holy Spirit, Breath of life

ALL: Have mercy on us

Leader: Let us in silence confess our faults and admit our frailty

Silence

Leader: Before God, with the people of God
I confess to my brokenness:
to the ways I wound my life
The lives of others
And the life of the world

**ALL: May God forgive you, Christ renew you
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Leader: Amen

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ALL: Amen

Leader: Move among us, O God, give us life

ALL: Let your people rejoice in you

Leader: Make our hearts clean within us

ALL: Renew us in mind and in spirit.

Leader: Give us again the joy of your help

ALL: With your Spirit of freedom sustain us.

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 485 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Reading James 3 : 13-4:3, 7-8

Reflection

Affirmation

Leader: With the whole church

**ALL: We affirm that we are made in God's image,
Befriended by Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit**

Leader: With people everywhere

**ALL: We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity
Planted more deeply than all that is wrong.**

Leader: With all creation

**ALL: We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life;
The unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the
world.**

Space for Healing

Together we invoke the Spirit of healing: **Come now, Holy Spirit, and send us
from heaven the gift that you have promised in Jesus, that in body, spirit
and mind we may be healed of all that harms us and find wholeness and
life in your name.**

Amen

(During this time, the music will play. You are invited to rest and reflect in your
seat or to light a candle.)

Hymn 604 Holy wisdom, lamp of learning

Agape Meal

Leader: I will keep on thanking God
With constant words of prayer.
I will glory in the living God:
The humble will hear and be glad.

Let us pray
Living God,
You cherish your creation
ALL: we praise you.

With earth, air, water, fire:
In our element as your children
ALL: We praise you.

With our lips, with our lives,
In all our diversity,
Each one made in your image,
ALL: We praise you.

Because in Jesus, you came to share
Our human lives, our sorrow and joy,
ALL: We praise you.