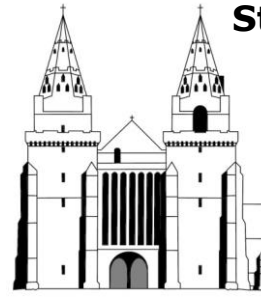


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St Machar's Cathedral, Old Aberdeen



6.00pm
All Souls Service

Sunday 3rd November 2024

Conducted by Rev Sarah Brown

Music before the service

Introitus de la Missa pro Defunctis a 4 – Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)

Introit Through the day
(b.1943)

Philip Moore

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 **God of the living** (tune: *Diva Servatrix*)

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

*Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
The power and the glory
Now and forever
Amen

**Reading Psalm 24
Revelation 21:1-6a**

**Anthem Loving Shepherd of the Sheep –
Philip Ledger (1937-2012)**

Gospel Reading John 1:32-44

Hymn 730 From the falter of breath

Reflection

Affirmation

Please stand as we make our affirmation of faith together.

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.**

The Lighting of the Lights

**Music for Contemplation Let your restless hearts be still -
John L Bell (b.1949) & Graham Maule (1958-2020)**

If you would like to light a candle to remember someone tonight, you are invited to do so while the music plays.

Prayer

Hymn 727 In the bulb there is a flower (tune: Hyfrydol – 519)

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