

HYMN We have come at Christ's own bidding
to this high and holy place,
where we wait with hope and longing
for some token of God's grace.
Here we pray for new assurance
that our faith is not in vain,
searching like those first disciples
for a sign both clear and plain.

Light breaks in upon our darkness;
splendour bathes the flesh joined Word;
Moses and Elijah marvel
as the heavenly voice is heard.
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder
how the Law and Prophets meet:
Christ, with garments drenched in brightness,
stands transfigured and complete.

Strengthened by this glimpse of glory,
fearful lest our faith decline,
we like Peter find it tempting
to remain and build a shrine.
But true worship gives us courage
to proclaim what we profess,
that our daily lives may prove us
people of the God we bless.

text: Carl P Daw (b.1944)
tune: Abbot's Leigh

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Exodus 34 : 29 - 35

PSALM 99

1 The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
2 **The Lord is great in Zion;**
he is exalted over all the peoples.
3 Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!
4 **Mighty King, lover of justice,**
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
5 Extol the Lord our God;
worship at his footstool. Holy is he!
6 **Moses and Aaron were among his priests,**
Samuel also was among those who called on his name.

They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;
they kept his decrees and the statutes that he gave them.

8 **O Lord our God, you answered them;**
you were a forgiving God to them but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

9 Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain,
for the Lord our God is holy.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – 2 Corinthians 3 : 12 – 4 : 2

ANTHEM

Be thou my vision – Bob Chilcott (b.1955)

GOSPEL READING – Luke 9 : 28 - 36

after the reading:

For the Word of God in Scripture;
for the Word of God among us;
for the Word of God within us:
thanks be to God.

HYMN 355 – You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd

SERMON

MUSIC FOR CONTEMPLATION

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION OF OFFERING

(you are invited to remain standing)

**Grateful for your generous providing, O Lord,
we present these our offerings.**

With these gifts we renew our vocation:

to speak and to act so God's gospel is known,

to live and to work so God's justice is done,

to love and to serve so God's world is blessed.

By your Spirit strengthen us in our calling, we pray.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Minister Lord, in your love:

All **Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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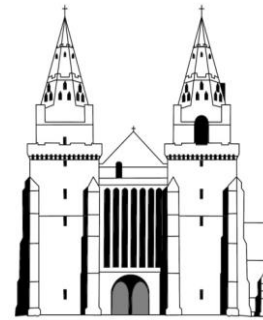
HYMN 519 – Love divine

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

RECESSIONAL

Finale in D minor – Eric H Thiman

You are invited to stay for coffee/tea which will be served in the side aisle after the service



ST MACHAR'S CATHEDRAL
OLD ABERDEEN

Morning Worship

Sunday 2nd March 2025 at 11.00 am

Conducted by Reverend Sarah Brown

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Interlude: Quam Dilecta – Henry Coleman

INTROIT

Exsultate Deo – G P da Palestrina (1525-94)

BIDDING PRAYER

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 160 – Praise my soul

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

During which we sing:

Choir: Lord have mer - cy Christ have mer - cy Lord have mer - cy
 Congregation: Lord have mer - cy Christ have mer - cy Lord have mer - cy

ALL AGES TALK