ST NINIAN'S CHURCH

Corstorphine

Minister: Rev. James Aitken



Order of Service

3rd of August 2025

10:30am





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Good morning and welcome to everyone who has joined us at St. Ninian's this morning. We hope you will enjoy our worship of God together today. As a congregation our mission is to, 'Worship God together, encourage personal faith and prayer, spread the Good News about Jesus Christ, and love and care for others in our community.' If you are a visitor, there is a visitors' book at the front door, please sign it.

This morning before the service Room 6 will be used as a **QUIET SPACE** from 10 am till the beginning of the morning service for those who wish to make use of it to unwind, have private prayer time or merely just a short period of stillness before going to morning worship.

There is no **crèche** or **Sunday School** this morning. However, throughout July and August children are welcome to attend **Summer Sundays** in the Burns' Hall. There will be supervision as well as games and other activities. The organist is **Anne Kirkpatrick**. The reader this morning is **Christine Millar**. Leading worship is the **Rev. James Aitken**.

Following worship there is **fellowship**, **friendship**, **and refreshments** in the Martin Shields' Hall. Please join us.

St. Ninian's uses the Revised Common Lectionary which is an approved week-by-week three-year cycle of biblical readings. In 2025 we are in Year C and the principal Gospel readings come from the **Gospel of Luke**. The readings lead us from Advent through the Christian year, the Bible, and Jesus' life through birth, baptism, his public ministry, his death, resurrection and ascension.

ENTRANCE

The service begins with a **sentence from the Bible** (Matt 6: 19 - 21), a **call to stand** (please do so if you are able to), an **introit** from the choir, and the **entrance of the Bible**. For the rest of the service the words in bold are read or sung by everyone. We sit to pray and stand to sing.

INTROIT

WELCOME, INTIMATIONS and SHARING OF THE PEACE We welcome one another with Christ's words 'Peace be with you'.

APPROACH TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 107: 1)

Leader: O, give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good.

All: His steadfast love endures forever.

HYMN 124 Praise to the Lord,

PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION & LORD'S PRAYER

We continue our worship celebrating what God has given us while apologizing for what we have done to harm God, his creation, and his people.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE: Luke 12: 13 – 21 Pg 856

HYMN 502 Take my life, Lord, let it be

SCRIPTURE: Colossians 3: 1 – 11 Pg 979

HYMN 532 Lord, you have come to the seashore

SERMON

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

HYMN 468 Son of God, eternal Saviour,

OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Freely given, our offering supports the work of Christ's church and symbolises our spiritual dedication to the building-up of the Kingdom of God. We remain seated to sing our dedication (**CH4 807**) -

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

We give thanks for our blessings, and cry out for help for others and ourselves. During the prayers this response is used periodically:

Minister: Lord in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

SENDING OUT

HYMN 416 Christ is alive!

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others, so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.