

ST NINIAN'S CHURCH

Corstorphine

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They let out their nets and made a big haul of fish; and their nets began to split.
(Luke 5: 6)

Order of Service
9th of February 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 Sunday is the **Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**. Epiphany means 'manifestation' or 'appearance', and during the season of Epiphany we learn more about the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. This year Epiphany lasts from 12th of January to the 2nd of March.

Before the service there is weekly a **Prayer Group** that meets in Room 6 (the Alpha Room) from 10:00am – 10:15am. Everyone is welcome, please ask a steward for Room 6 Alpha Room.

There is a **crèche** and a primary **Sunday School** this morning. The reader this morning is **Jim Hunter**. The organist is **Anne Kirkpatrick**. Leading worship is the **Emma McMillan**, our ministry student.

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** (Psalm 138: 2), 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 (incorporating lyrics from Hymn 510)

Leader: Jesus call us here to meet him as,
through word and song and prayer,

**Congregation: we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.**

Leader: Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;

Congregation: praise the spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

HYMN 485 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Written by 19th century American poet John Greenleaf Whittier (1807 – 1892), this devotional hymn encourages quiet meditation, and reverential contemplation, in our approach to God this morning.

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 5: 1 – 11

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CHILDREN'S ADDRESS

HYMN 340 When Jesus saw the fishermen

Children leave for Sunday School. Visiting children are welcome to join in.

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6: 1 – 8

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ANTHEM 'Lead Me Lord'

Wesley

SERMON

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

HYMN 533 Will you come and follow me

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 204**) -*

**I am the Church! You are the Church!
We are the Church together!
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
yes, we're the Church together.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

*We give thanks for our blessings, and cry out for help for others and ourselves. At times, during the prayer, we say together: "**Confidently, all can worship in the presence of God.**"*

SENDING OUT

HYMN 252

As a fire is meant for burning

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.**