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St Leonard's & St Mary's
Fifth Sunday of Easter 7th May 2023



But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, God's special possession,
that you may declare the praises of him
who called you out of darkness
into his wonderful light. 1 Peter v9

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

King Charles III & Queen Consort



We continue to pray and give thanks for Their Majesties The King and The Queen Consort after their coronation service on Saturday 6th May. We pray that Charles would be a humble and wise King of our United Kingdom and that his faith in Christ would be renewed and strengthened as he labours as a servant of the King of Kings. We pray they would use their unique positions to guide and encourage justice and peace within the Nations and seek to continue to highlight and champion the needs of the environment and those in need.

The Duchess of Buccleuch and Queensberry.



The Duke of Buccleuch and his family with great sadness announced the death of the Duchess of Buccleuch and Queensberry on Sunday morning 30th April, the Duchess died after a short illness following an operation.

Elizabeth was the most wonderful, life enhancing spirit and our hearts go out to the family as they come to terms with their loss.

She was the inspirer and founder of the Walter Scott Prize for Historical Fiction, which is one of the leading literary awards in the UK. It was her vision that subsequently led to the establishment of the Young Walter Scott Prize and she believed passionately that young people should be encouraged to explore both history and writing.

In 1981 Elizabeth and Richard were married at St Mary's Dalkeith. As patron of St Mary's our thoughts and Prayers are with Richard, Duke of Buccleuch and his family.

Words of Welcome

The Easter acclamation

We meet in Christ name:

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

This is the day that the Lord has made

Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Hymn **THE SUN COMES UP, IT'S A NEW DAY DAWNING**

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

Bless the Lord, O my soul

O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before

O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger

Your name is great, and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Prayer of Confession

Risen Lord your death and resurrection

remind us that God is love and that we are set free from sin.

Therefore, as the redeemed of Lord, let us confess our sins

in penitence and with faith in the power of God's great love.

Lord we confess to you and to our fellow members in the body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.

Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil.

For the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

Lord God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.

Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Reading from 1 Peter 2.2-10

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like new-born babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

As you come to him, the living Stone – rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him – you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For in Scripture it says:

‘See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.’

Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, ‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,’ ‘A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.’ They stumble because they disobey the message.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Hymn

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION,

Christ the head and cornerstone
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

We as living stones implore you: come among us, Lord, today!
With your promised loving-kindness hear your people as we pray;
and the fulness of your blessing in our fellowship display.

Here entrust to all your servants what we long from you to gain-
that on earth and in the heavens we your people shall remain,
till united in your glory evermore with you we reign.

Praise and honour to the Father, praise and honour to the Son,
praise and honour to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One:
one in power and one in glory while eternal ages run.

The Gospel John 14.1-8

Alleluia, hear the Good News of our risen Lord
Glory to Christ our Saviour, alleluia!

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.'

At end: give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel
Praise to Christ our Lord. Alleluia

Sermon

Hymn

In Christ alone my hope is found

He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Intercessions

The Peace

You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
God's special possession, his living stones,
bound together to be people of peace and mercy.

Peace be with you.
and also with you.

Let us share his peace

Hymn **THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION** is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the word;
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride,
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

'Mid toil, and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forever more;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

Offering

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own we give you.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.

Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.

You are unceasingly at work

from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope,

He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power

to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose,

freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life,

we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels

and the whole company of heaven,

singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,

for by the Cross eternal life is ours

and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb

and changed the women's sorrow into joy.

From the Garden the mystery dawned

that he whom they had loved and lost

is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishers on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence, and of new birth in the Spirit

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples, he took bread and offered you thanks he broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: 'Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power they may be the body and blood of your Son and we may be kindled with the fire of your love, renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love until at last,
in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end.
Amen.**

Breaking the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us so we pray

**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 trespasses against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Distribution of Communion

Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing at this time.

Prayer after Communion

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious
and his mercy endures for ever

**Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of
Jesus Christ, our cornerstone. Empower us to be holy people, living
stones working together for the glory of your name; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Hymn

ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED;

he doth still my trust renew.

Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.

God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.

But God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower

God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.

Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son.

Christ doth call, one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Dismissal

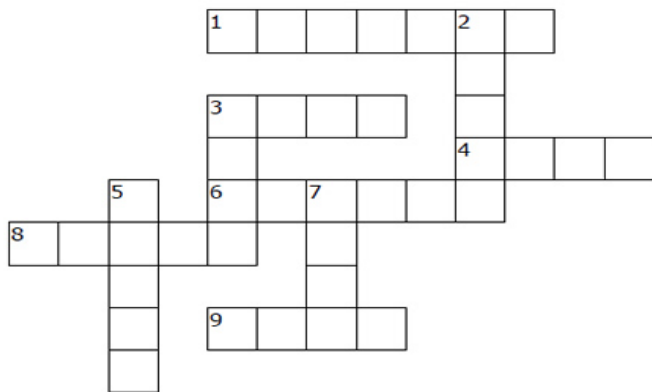
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

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BRICKS	FOUNDATION	KIDS	SOLID
BRIDGE	GOGGLES	LEVEL	VERSE
CEMENT	HELMET	ROCK	WATER



ACROSS

1. Lacking good sense
3. The natural movement of air
4. A large stone
6. A small river
8. A building where a family lives
9. Loose soil which is found on beaches

DOWN

2. A sudden or violent condition in nature
3. Someone who exercises good judgment in his daily life is _____
5. To make or form something such as a house
7. Water that falls from the sky

*** Coronation Events ***

Our thanks and appreciation to everyone who has helped make our Coronation Events a wonderful, joyous and delightful occasion.



Today Sunday 7th May

Joint Fellowship Lunch from 12 Noon at St Leonard's

All are Welcome - come and enjoy



We continue to distribute food parcels every week to a variety of families in their time of need across our community.

Here are some of the things that we are hoping to include in the Spring Summer parcels going out in the coming weeks...

Cans of macaroni cheese, chicken soup

Cans of ravioli, Multi pack crisps

Chocolate biscuits e.g club, Kitkat, twix bars etc

Pot noodles and other instant pot meals.

The Full Gospel church is open from 10am to 10:30am on a Wednesday to receive your donations.— Thank You

*Please note Peter & Fiona are happy to collect donations from you or for you to drop off your donation at the Rectory
11 Peacock Parkway, Bonnyrigg EH19 3RQ*

Steve Cameron - A Service of Thanksgiving Tuesday 9th May 2pm at St Mary's

Our friend and brother Steve Cameron, peacefully passed on to his heavenly home on Saturday 22nd April. Val and the family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love and support at this time and invite you to share in a celebration of Steve's life on Tuesday 9th May at 2pm in St Mary's. This will be followed by a time of fellowship and light refreshments to which all are invited to share.

Curry Night with the Lads



Friday 19th May 7.30pm at Itihaas Dalkeith

The preferred curry night vote came in for Friday 19th May so please confirm your booking with Alison or Fiona. There is still time to sign up for any lads who are able to come and join us on the Friday Feast. Just let us know.

Ladies Afternoon Tea

New Venue & Date Set

Carberry Hotel 10th June

We invite the ladies and friends of both churches to our next Social Event afternoon tea at Carberry Hotel. Sign up sheet are available at the welcome desk. Afternoon Tea is a beautiful selection of sandwiches, scones and cakes and of course a nice pot of tea or coffee.



We can also provide a free taxi service for those needing lifts to and from the venue so no need to worry about how you will get there. Just let us know if you need a lift, yours Alison Bruce and the Social Committee

I want to ride my bicycle !



Our Ukrainian families children are looking forward to the more sunny brighter days of Summer. A bike has been donated for Misha and so we are now on the lookout for a Bike for 7 year old Alina. Can you help or know someone with a bike they are happy to donate. Thank You speak to Vicki Clark for more info.

2023 Social Calendar - Dates for your Diary

June

Saturday 3rd 10am– 2pm, **Summer Fair & BBQ**, at St Mary's

August

Saturday 5th, **St Marys Day** A Celebration of St Mary's Day
will be held in place of Coffee@Mary's.

Getting Ready for the Summer Fair & BBQ

With thanks to the new Social Committee we have a wonderful array of events and activities taking place over this year. On the Horizon is our

Summer Fair and BBQ on Saturday 3rd June

So please keep the day free in your diary to help with the running of the Fair and also help us by making donations to our Tombola Stall.

Collection Boxes for donations for the Tombola Stall are available at each church for your bottles or other good quality unused items. We also welcome prize donations suitable for our Children's Tombola.

Thank You.

Other ways you can help:

We are also looking for your donations of Home Baking, tray bakes, Sponges, Tea loafs, Scones and Pancakes. Donations of Baked goods can be brought along on the morning of Fair.

For those with green fingers we are also planning on having a plant sale so please consider potting up some of your cuttings, or plants that you have thinned out and them bring along to the fair.

If you would like to have a craft table at the fair
please do speak to Fiona

Summer Fair & BBQ

Saturday 3rd June

10am– 2pm

St Mary's Dalkeith

Craft Stalls, Home baking,
Plant Sale, Tombola and more



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