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Your Weekly News from St Leonard's & St Mary's

Sunday 26th November 2023

CHRIST THE KING

WELCOME

We warmly welcome you to our morning act of worship here at St Leonard's as we gather for the last Sunday of the Churches Liturgical year. We end with the celebration of Christ the King reminding ourselves that ultimately at the end of all time Christ will be King for ever.

This is both a time a judgment but also a time of great mercy and grace. None of us deserve to sit at the Lord's table, none of us are righteous. However, through receiving the gift of God's eternal grace we rejoice that our sins are forgiven and we are welcomed in not by our merit but through the love of God in the gift of Christ, the King of Kings.

with Love Peter

Annual General Meeting

We remind the members of the congregation
that our AGM for 2023 will take place
after the morning worship on

**Sunday 3rd December for St Mary's
&
Sunday 10th of December**

This will be followed by a Soup and Roll Lunch

Our Annual Report Booklet is available today at the welcome desk. This contains the Agenda, Minutes and reports to be presented at the AGM.

Our thanks and appreciation to every individual who has worked hard in a variety of ways enabling both churches to have an active ministry in our area.

Panto & Meal

Wednesday November 29th. We meet for our meal at 5 for 5.30pm start at the Stair Arms on the outskirts of Pathhead before going on to the Panto at 7.30pm at Pathhead Village Hall.

WELCOME

The Lord be with you
And also with you

This is the day that the Lord has made
Let us rejoice and be glad in it

HYMN **CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS,**
the Lamb upon his throne.

Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of love, behold His hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends His burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou has died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are his children. There is no room for fear in love.
We love because he loved us first.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith

Father we acknowledge that we have not loved as you would have us love. We turn to you again and ask for your mercy, forgive us and renew us through Jesus Christ our Lord

God, who is both power and love, forgives us and frees us from our sins, heal and strengthens us by your Spirit and raise us with all of your creation to new life through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son,
our Lord and King: grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought
together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 95 v 1-7

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.

For the Lord is the great God,
the great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth,
and the mountain peaks belong to him.

The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.

Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;
for he is our God
and we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care.

HYMN

KING OF KINGS, MAJESTY,
God of Heaven living in me,
Gentle Saviour, closest Friend,
Strong Deliverer, beginning and end.
All within me falls at Your throne,
Your Majesty, I can but bow,
I lay my all before You now.
In royal robes, I don't deserve.
I live to serve Your Majesty.

Earth and heaven worship You,
Love eternal, faithful and true,
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls,
Brought this sinner near to Your throne.
All within me cries out in praise!
Your Majesty, I can but bow,
I lay my all before You now.
In royal robes, I don't deserve.
I live to serve Your Majesty.

THE GOSPEL READING **MATTHEW 25.31-46**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Saint Matthew
Glory to Christ our Saviour

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

“Then the King will say to those on his right,
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

“Then the righteous will answer him,
'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

“The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

“Then he will say to those on his left,
'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger

and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or needing clothes, or sick, or in prison, and did not help you?' "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

SERMON

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSIONS

THE PEACE

Let us stand together:

We meet in the name of the King of Kings,
the Prince of Peace

Let us share his peace

HYMN **FROM HEAVEN YOU CAME, Helpless babe,**
Entered our world, Your glory veiled;
Not to be served but to serve,
And give Your life that we might live.

 This is our God, The Servant King,
 He calls us now to follow Him,
 To bring our lives as a daily offering
 Of worship to the Servant King.

There in the garden of tears,
My heavy load, He chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

Come see His hands and His feet,
The scars that speak of sacrifice;
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone Him;
Each other's needs to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving.

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.**

EUCCHARISTIC 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, Father,
in every place and at all times.

All power is yours.

You created the heavens and established the earth;
you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son our life and yours
are brought together in a wonderful exchange.
He made his home among us
that we might for ever dwell in you.

Through your Holy Spirit you call us to new birth
in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose
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.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father,
for the gift of your Son born in human flesh.

He is the Word existing beyond time,
both source and final purpose,
bringing to wholeness all that is made.

Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross.

By your power you raised him from the dead.

He broke the bonds of evil
and set your people free
to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death,
knowing that his hour had come,
having loved his own, he loved them to the end.

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
and 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 OF THE BREAD

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say:

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All are welcome to come and receive

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

**Almighty God,
you have made us a royal priesthood
in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Make known his victory through us, we pray,
that all the world may see his light.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen**

THE BLESSING

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen

HYMN **THE SPLENDOUR OF A KING,**
clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
Let all the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in Light,
and darkness tries to hide
and trembles at His voice,
trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands
and time is in His hands
The Beginning and the end,
Beginning and the end
The Godhead Three in One
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names
Worthy of our praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ Amen

CHRISTMAS FAIR

ST MARY'S DALKEITH
2ND DECEMBER

10AM-2PM

Independent craft stalls.

Homebaking.

Tombola.

Refreshments.

Santa arrives on his sleigh at 10.30am



St Leonard's Episcopal Church Lasswade SC014151. St Mary's Episcopal Church Dalkeith SC001677

In preparation for Christmas we are looking for individuals to help with the setting up of our Outdoor Nativity Scenes.

St Mary's

Friday 1st December 10am
as part of the preparation for
our Christmas fair.

St Leonard's

Monday 4th December 10am



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St Mary's 10am
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Wednesday Morning On-line Worship 10am

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