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Weekly Worship and News from St Leonard's and St Mary's

Sunday 4th February The fifth Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome to St Leonard's & St Mary's



Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where

HE PRAYED!

We should pray too

BOOK CLUB

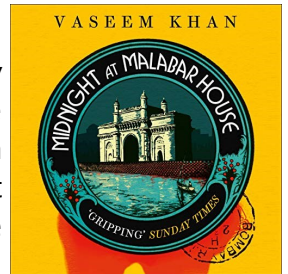
FINDING TREASURE ISLAND by Robin Scott-Elliot



Our last book read can be seen as a fictitious prequel to the real Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson (RLS), is set in the Scottish Highlands near Balmoral, Queen Victoria's Castle. The main character is RLS's American stepson who is lonely and bullied but befriends a local Scottish lass and together they set out to find treasure in the nearby woods. RLS has writer's block but as his stepson's adventures unfold, he is inspired to write his famous book, taking characters and places from his stepson's treasure hunt. There is familiar and unfamiliar

Scottish lingo throughout the chapters as well as a some controversial themes of class, sexism and feudalism.

Our next book is Midnight at Malabar House by Vaseem Khan. Follow a female Indian detective as she investigates the murder of a prominent English diplomat. We will discuss this on Friday March 22nd at St. Mary and invite everyone to come and join in the discussion and fellowship.



Walking with Snowdrops



As we move into spring the Snowdrops are beginning to appear as darkness gives way to light.

Join our next Fellowship Walk together on Saturday 17th February from 10am as we walk and talk and enjoy the sites of spring flowers. The walk will end with a meal at Cavaliere for those who wish to enjoy a lunch time meal together.

Our walk route is yet to be decided as there are a couple of options open to us but our walk leader will make a decision in the coming week. Please sign up if you are interested in the walk or even if you would just like to join us for the lunch time meal together.

Call to Worship

Come, let us sing unto the Lord
let us rejoice and be glad

For he is our God
and we are his people, called to proclaim his praise

Hymn **ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING**

Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Confession *please sit or kneel*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son
to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us therefore confess our sins in penitence and faith,

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be.**

*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 Lord. Amen*

The Collect

**Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Reading: Psalm 147 v5-11

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.
The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with grateful praise; make music to our God.
He covers the sky with clouds; he supplies the earth with rain
and makes grass grow on the hills. He provides food for the cattle and
for the young ravens when they call.
His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor his delight in the
legs of the warrior; the Lord delights in those who fear him,
who put their hope in his unfailing love.

Hymn **SPEAK, O LORD, AS WE COME TO YOU**

To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 1.29-39

Hear the gospel of our Lord according to Mark
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else, to the nearby villages, so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." So he travelled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Intercessions for today

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

Let us share his peace

Hymn **O LET THE SON OF GOD ENFOLD YOU**

With His Spirit and His love,
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let Him have the things that hold you,
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy,
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
O give Him all your tears and sadness,
Give Him all your years of pain,
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Offertory Prayer

Let us present our offerings to the Lord

**God of love and giver of all good things,
accept these gifts we offer
and use them for the glory of your name.
Amen**

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, God our maker.
Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being,
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.
Day and night celebrate your glory
till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your only-begotten Son,
you have revealed yourself to the world.
By the guiding of a star, you made him known to the nations
as the son of David and king of Israel;
that in following him, we might be led from darkness
and into his marvellous light.

**Filled with the Spirit,
who descended upon your Son at his Baptism in the Jordan,
we who are baptised in his name
strive for his heavenly kingdom in whose radiance
we are transfigured and the earth is transformed.**

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.

In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.

Our hope is built on him
in whom you are well pleased.

Having been shown to the world as your beloved Son,
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.

**The blind received their sight,
the lame walked, the lepers were cleansed,
and the captives set free.**

**At his word, water became wine,
the hungry were filled with bread,
and the dead were raised.**

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
desiring to complete the work
for which he came into the world,
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 Bread

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

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.**

Invitation to come and receive

All are welcome to come and receive communion or a blessing at this time

Thanksgiving and sending out

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

Prayer after communion

**Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling.
May we who share in this heavenly banquet
be instruments of your peace on earth,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

Blessing

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts and minds
with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you now and always.
Amen

Hymn **AT THE NAME OF JESUS** Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess Him King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name
From the lips of sinners unto whom He came;
Faithfully He bore it spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious, when from death He passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures to the central height,
To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast,
Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

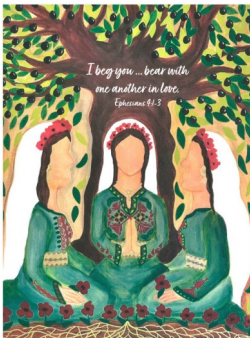
In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue
All that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown Him as your Captain in temptation's hour,
Let His will enfold you in its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
With His Father's glory, with His angel-train;
For all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

Dismissal

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

Do gather with us for fellowship and refreshments served after the service



World Day Of Prayer

Friday 1st March 2024

Prayers written by Christian women of Palestine

St Mary's Dalkeith 7pm

Our Lady's Church Hall Lasswade 7pm



PET FOOD BANK Tuesday 6th Feb

from 10am to 12 Noon on the first Tuesday of each month we give away gifts of Pet Food to those seeking aid and support at this time.

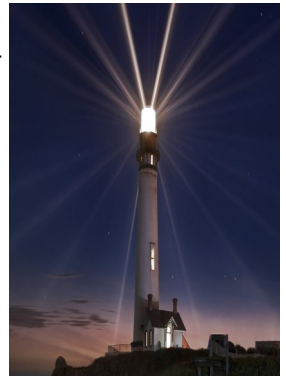
While your there have a cuppa and share your pet tales and questions. Well behaved owners and their pets are welcome.

BEACON OF HOPE

Making Monday a day of Hope at St Leonard's Dobbies Road

Each Monday St Leonard's will be open from 10am to 12 Noon so you can pop in for cuppa and fellowship. Each Monday we will be offering a different focus or theme following the following pattern.

- 1st Mon: Cuppa Cake and Chat Café ,
- 2nd Mon: Songs of Praise, hymns & tea
- 3rd Mon: Prayer & Reflection: a time to be still
- 4th Mon: Love, Loss & Remembrance
a time to talk and remember our loved ones.



All are welcome

St Mary's Sunday at 10am

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St Leonard's Sunday at 10am

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Please note that Monday is our Rector's day off