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The Scottish Episcopal Churches of
St Leonard's & St Mary's
Sunday 26th May24 Trinity Sunday

Holy, Holy, Holy
God in three persons
blessed trinity



Welcome

Grace and peace to you
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
through the presence of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Collect for Purity

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.**

Hymn **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!**

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee:
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who were, and are, and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name In earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Confession and Absolution

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

**God our Father, 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 Lord.
Amen.

Peruvian Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father
To him be glory for ever!
To him be glory for ever!
Alleluia, amen,
Alleluia, amen, Alleluia, amen, Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father
Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father
To him be glory for ever!
To him be glory for ever!
Alleluia, amen,
Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen, Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit
To him be glory for ever!
To him be glory for ever!
Alleluia, amen,
Alleluia, amen. Alleluia, amen, Alleluia, amen.

Collect of the day

We pray together

Father, we praise you:

through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things.

You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus, the Word made flesh. Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reading from Romans 8 12-17

Brothers and sisters, we have an obligation; but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs; heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

Hymn **YOU UNRAVEL ME WITH A MELODY**

You surround me with a song

Of deliverance from my enemies 'Til all my fears are gone

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

From my mother's womb You have chosen me

Love has called my name

I've been born again into your family

Your blood flows through my veins

You split the sea so I could walk right through it

You drowned my fears in perfect love

You rescued me and I will stand and sing

I am a child of God

Gospel John 3:1-17

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to John
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven, the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Nicene Creed

We affirm our faith as we say together:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one substance with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions

Prayer is offered for the world and its people, for those who suffer and those in need, for the church and its members.

Peace

We meet in the name of the triune God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Let us share God's peace.

Hymn

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US,

How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory. (Souls)

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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 I

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread;

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Do not bring us to the time of trial but deliver us from evil

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Distribution of Communion

*Everyone is welcomed at our table to receive the Bread and Wine
of communion reminding us of God's love and welcome to us.*

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.

And his mercy endures for ever.

**Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist
worship you in all we do, and proclaim the majesty of your glory. We
ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

Hymn **THOU, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD**

Chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel-day
Sheds not its glorious ray, Let there be light!

Thou who didst come to bring,
On Thy redeeming wing, healing and sight;
Health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind, Let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy Dove, speed forth Thy flight;
Move on the waters' face, bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place. Let there be light!

Blessèd and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might;
Boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide, Let there be light!

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

*Please do join with us for a cuppa and chat
served at the end of the service*



Donations and Help Welcome

Our Churches Summer Fair is always a hive of activity and by working together a great day is being planned. However, we now need your help with donations of **Baked Goods**, Tray bakes, Cakes, Loafs and other delights. We also welcome donations for our **Tombola**, bottles of wine or other drinks or other donations suitable for giving away as a prize. We will also be having a plant sale and welcome donations of **plants for sale**. If you can bring them along on Friday 2-4pm as we begin to set up the fair or the Saturday morning. Thank you. We are also looking for helpers to staff the stalls for an hour or so throughout the day.

Melville Castle Afternoon Tea Saturday 22nd June

As we need to book in advance would all ladies planning to go to the Afternoon Tea please sign up today at the Welcome desk or drop Fiona an email at the church office to book your place. Thank You.



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