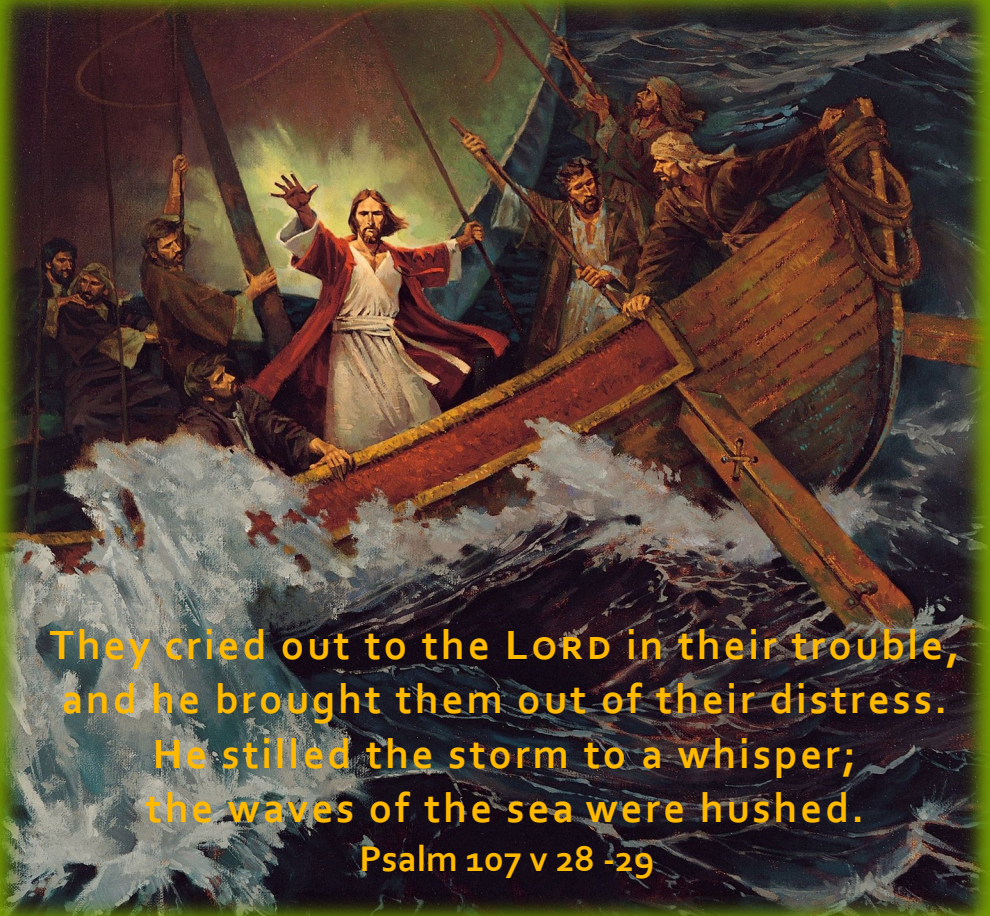


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*The Scottish Episcopal Church of  
St Leonard's Lasswade*

Sunday 23rd June 2024



They cried out to the LORD in their trouble,  
and he brought them out of their distress.  
He stilled the storm to a whisper;  
the waves of the sea were hushed.

Psalm 107 v 28 -29

# Pray for the Election

The coming General Election is critical moment in the life of our nation, which will shape our future. This is a time for us all to ask important questions about what kind of country we want to build and to hear the call to pray for God's kingdom to come, his will to be done. Let us pray

**Guide the leaders of the nations  
that they may work for the common good,  
and strengthen our hearts with a vision of your kingdom.**

**Hear us, good Lord.**

**Endue the High Court of Parliament  
and all the ministers of the Crown  
with integrity, wisdom and understanding.**

**Hear us, good Lord**

**Guide all candidates for office and the leaders of the nations  
into the ways of peace and justice.**

**Hear us, good Lord.**

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

**Amen.**



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## Welcome

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ  
**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**      **WILL YOUR ANCHOR HOLD IN THE STORMS OF LIFE,**  
When the clouds unfold their wings of strife?  
When the strong tides lift,  
and the cables strain,  
Will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

We have an anchor that keeps the soul  
Steadfast and sure while the billows roll  
Fastened to the rock which cannot move  
Grounded firm and deep  
in the saviour's love.

Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear?  
When the breakers roar and the reef is near;  
While the surges rave and the wild winds blow,  
Shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?

Will your eyes behold through the morning light  
The city of gold and the harbour bright?  
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,  
When life's storms are past for evermore?

## 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.**

## Collect of the day

We pray together

**O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid.  
Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters  
from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

## Reading from Psalm 107 v1-3 & 23-32

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

**Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story  
those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,  
those he gathered from the lands,  
from east and west, from north and south.**

Some went out on the sea in ships;  
they were merchants on the mighty waters.  
They saw the works of the Lord,  
his wonderful deeds in the deep.

**For he spoke and stirred up a tempest  
that lifted high the waves.**

**They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths;  
in their peril their courage melted away.**

They reeled and staggered like drunkards;  
they were at their wits' end.  
Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he brought them out of their distress.

**He stilled the storm to a whisper;  
the waves of the sea were hushed.  
They were glad when it grew calm,  
and he guided them to their desired haven.**

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love  
and his wonderful deeds for mankind.  
Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people  
and praise him in the council of the elders.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and shall be for ever.  
Amen.**

## **HYMN**

**FAITHFUL ONE, SO UNCHANGING,**  
Ageless One, You're my Rock of peace.  
Lord of all, I depend on You,  
I call out to You again and again.  
I call out to You again and again.  
You are my rock in times of trouble.  
You lift me up when I fall down.  
All through the storm Your love is the anchor,  
My hope is in You alone.

## **Gospel     Mark 4.35-41**

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

When evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with them.

A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

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

## **Sermon**

### **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 Christ name  
**Let us share His's peace.**

### **Hymn     MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS**

Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

Christ alone; cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love  
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

When Darkness seems to hide His face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil  
My anchor holds within the veil

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless stand before the throne.

## 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,  
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, h  
allowed 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 God, guide and protect your people who share in this sacred  
mystery, and keep us always in your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and  
minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our  
Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy  
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen**

**Hymn**      **YE SERVANTS OF GOD, Your Master proclaim,**  
And publish abroad His wonderful name;  
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol;  
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, Almighty to save;  
And still He is nigh, His presence we have;  
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,  
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son;  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give Him His right,  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
All honour and blessing, with angels above,  
And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

### **Dismissal**

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

***Please join with us for refreshments served in the hall***

### **Digital Connect Group at St Mary's**

**There will be no Digital Connect on Tuesday 25th June and 2nd July.**

We reopen on 9th July. If you have any questions about your digital devices why not pop along and we will try and help. The group usually meets at St Mary's on a Tuesday afternoon from 2pm -3.30pm. All Welcome



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