

St Paul's Episcopal Cathedral Dundee

1 High Street, DD1 1TD
Telephone: +44 01382 224486
Website: www.saintpaulscathedral.net
Email: admin@saintpaulscathedral.net

SUNDAY 24th September 2017

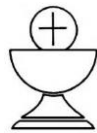
THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME to the Cathedral whether you are a regular, a visitor or simply trying us out. We are delighted to have you with us.

If you are here with **CHILDREN** or **TEENAGERS**, the primary school aged young people of our Young Church groups called **BEANSTALK** will be meeting next door in Castlehill House (connected by the corridor near the back on the left) after the Collect prayer. Your young people are welcome to join them (P1 – S6). Please speak to a welcomer for further information or simply join the group as they leave the church.

THIS MORNING'S SERVICE is contained entirely in the liturgy booklet you will have been handed along with this leaflet (other than the bible readings which you will find on pages 3 and 4 of this leaflet.) The liturgical colour today is green signifying creation and growth in this season known as 'Ordinary Time'.

In the second half of the service, we celebrate **Holy Communion**. You are welcome either to receive Holy Communion at this service or, if you would prefer, a blessing. If you do not hold your hands out to receive Communion, the priest will know to give a blessing instead. If you prefer simply to stay in your seat, that is fine too.



After the service we serve **coffee, tea and cake** at the back of church. If you have time, please join us.

There is an **Offering** to contribute to the ministry costs of the Cathedral in the middle of the service. If you are a UK taxpayer, you can **GIFTAID** your offering meaning that the Cathedral can reclaim from the government the tax you have already paid on the amount you give. To do this, please simply fill in a Gift Aid envelope which are to be found at the end of each pew or on the Gift Aid table at the back.



IN OUR PRAYERS... peace throughout the world; places of conflict or disaster and all suffering peoples: especially those affected by recent natural disasters and terrorist attacks; all refugees; those ill or recuperating: Andrew Wilson, John Perry, Isabel Brown, Emma Overton, Edna Beswick, Carol Davidson, Mirrina and Archie Main; those who have died recently: Kenneth Boal and those whose anniversaries occur at this time; also those who mourn; the Church: the life of the Diocese of Brechin – the electoral process for the election of a new Bishop, our Companion Dioceses of Iowa and Swaziland; Anglican Cycle of Prayer: South East Florida, The Episcopal Church.



PASTORAL... For pastoral visiting or an appointment, or to discuss weddings, baptisms or funerals, please contact the church office at admin@saintpaulscathedral.net or (01382) 224486; or contact the Provost direct via the office telephone or at provost@saintpaulscathedral.net or 01382 646296 (out of hours) or 07715 868960.

CALENDAR...

DAY	TIME	EVENT
Tonight	6.15pm	Sung Evening Prayer
Mon 25 th	7.00pm	Bellringing practice
Tues 26 th <i>Feria</i>	1.10pm 6.00pm	Midday Prayer (Lady Chapel) Diocesan Council Meeting
Wed 27 th <i>Vincent de Paul</i>	1.10pm	Midday Prayer & Eucharist (Lady Ch)
Thur 28 th <i>Feria</i>	11.00am 1.10pm 7.00pm	Flower Arranging Midday Prayer & Eucharist (Lady Ch) Choir Practice
Fri 29 th <i>Michael & All Angels</i>	11.00am	Eucharist for Michael & All Angels followed by coffee / tea and scones
Sat 30 th <i>Jerome</i>	10.00am 1.00pm	Prayer Group meeting (Board Room) (all welcome: contact office for details.) Lunchtime Concert
Sun 1 st <i>HARVEST</i>	10.30am 6.15pm	SUNG EUCHARIST Service of Prayer for Healing

NOTICES

BEANSTALK (YOUNG CHURCH) GROUPS The members of Beanstalk will leave after the Collect to meet in Castlehill House (please let a welcomer know if you would like to join them. Visiting children and high school students are always welcome)

STUDENTS – It's great that you are here and we'd like to get to know you better so introduce yourself to Jeremy (the Provost / priest) at the door and to Lottie, our student and youth worker.

LUNCHTIME CONCERT SERIES The next in the series is this coming Saturday (30th September) when **FRANCES TAYLOR (soprano)** and **BARBARA SCOTT (mezzo-soprano)** will be accompanied by **ROBERT DUNCAN** on piano. Details on the flyers at the back of church.



CHURCH PUBLICATIONS – The latest editions of *Castlehill Angel*, *Grapevine* and *Brechin Bulletin* are all available on the table at the back of church for free uplift.

ANOTHER EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Congregation will take place TODAY (Sunday 24th) to propose the appointment of a new Independent Examiner. Constituent members of the congregation are requested to attend.

EPISCOPAL ELECTION – The closing date for nominations for the new Bishop of Brechin is **12 noon THIS THURSDAY** (28th September). Anyone can nominate any priest in Episcopal / Anglican orders. Nomination forms are available at www.brechin.anglican.org where you will also find other important details. Please consider prayerfully nominating someone (with their consent!).

HARVEST THANKSGIVING will be celebrated here at the Cathedral this year on **1st October** when the **Beans-talk Groups** will be helping to design the liturgy. There will be a **HARVEST LUNCH** after the Eucharist which this year will require to be finger food served in the Cathedral whilst the renovations of St Roque's Hall are underway. It will be 'bring 'n' share' so please sign up with

details of what you can bring.

SLEEP IN THE PARK – a mass sleep-out to end homelessness in Scotland. For Good. Saturday 9th December 2017. Make Scotland an example for the whole world to follow! "We are a small country with a big and generous heart." In the lead-up to Christmas, there is for Christians something compelling about the reality of homelessness that lies near the heart of the Christmas story: the homeless Christ-child, the refugee Holy Family. So why not join a range of amazing people at the sleep-out: John Cleese, Deacon Blue, Rob Brydon, Sir Bob Geldof, Liam Gallagher and Amy Macdonald will all be present on the night. Find out more at www.SleepInThePark.co.uk See also the letter from the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, copies of which are available at the back of church.

THE READINGS FOR TODAY...



Jonah 3.10-4.11

A reading from the book of Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.'

And the LORD said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?'

Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?'

And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.'

Then the LORD said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

Philippians 1.21-30

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well - since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 18.21-35

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right."



So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?"

They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard."

When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first."

When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat."

But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Cathedral Church of St Paul, Dundee
(Scottish Registered Charity No SC004696)

Cathedral Offices, Castlehill House,
1 High Street, DUNDEE, DD1 1TD

Provost & Rector: The Very Rev'd Jeremy Auld