



MANY GIFTS, ONE SPIRIT

**Inverurie West Church Morning Worship
Sunday Jan 16 2022**

Opening music

Welcome

Thank you for joining our Sunday worship with Inverurie West Parish Church and Happy New Year! Whether you are joining us online or in-person; as a newcomer, occasional visitor, or regular, we are delighted to have you with us. This morning we are going to be exploring how to respond to the idea that we are 'gifted'.

Call to Worship (Psalm 36: 5-7)

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

Now thank we all our God (CH4 182)

Opening prayer (including the Lord's prayer)

Our heavenly father
May your holy name be honoured
May your kingdom come
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today what we really need
Forgive us the wrong we do
as we forgive those who wrong us

Lead us away from temptation
Keep us safe from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever
Amen

Intro to the Word

Readings (read by Margaret Harrow)

Isaiah 62: 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,

for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet,
till her vindication shines out like the dawn,
her salvation like a blazing torch.

2

The nations will see your vindication,
and all kings your glory;
you will be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.

3

You will be a crown of splendour in the Lord's hand,
a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

4

No longer will they call you Deserted,
or name your land Desolate.
But you will be called Hephzibah,
and your land Beulah;
for the Lord will take delight in you,
and your land will be married.

5

As a young man marries a young woman,
so will your Builder marry you;
as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride,
so will your God rejoice over you.

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. 3 Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. 4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

Spirit of God come dwell within me (CH4 722)

Reflection

Prayer

News

Take this moment, sign and space (CH4 501)

The Grace

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Blessing

Closing music

News

Hospitality - In person hospitality after the service is once again on pause due to current governmental and Church of Scotland guidelines. We aim to resume this as soon as it is deemed both safe and sensible to do so. Zoom hospitality will be on each week for those who would like to join from their own homes.

Junior Church - starts back this Sunday afternoon via Zoom at 3pm, meeting fortnightly. Upcoming dates are 16 and 30 Jan, Feb 13 and 27, March 13 and 27. We also hope to organise an in-person family session in the run up to Easter.

Flower Calendar - the book is open downstairs for people to sign up for flower donations.

Bible Study- a new six week New Year online bible study begins on Wednesday 19 January. Join us for any or all. Contact Rhona for the link.

Friday Fly - our social get-together will continue online via Zoom between 11 and 12 on Fridays for as long as there are folks wishing to gather this way. All welcome. Contact Rhona for the link

Kirk Session - our next meeting is on Tuesday Jan 25 at 730 pm. This will be back on Zoom as per Church of Scotland instructions until the current Omicron surge is under control.

Practical help - if you, or anyone you know need shopping, errands etc done. We have lots of volunteers keen to help. For assistance ring Joyce Petrie on 01467 620932 or email help@inveruriewestchurch.org

Foodbank - They are currently in particular need of: **Tinned spaghetti, tinned macaroni cheese, jam, tinned tomatoes, instant mash, jars of sauce, packets of cereal bars**

For prayer requests, joys and concerns, or content which you would like shared on Sunday, please email Rhona on r.cathcart@inveruriewestchurch.org by Saturday night, or you can text her on her mobile.

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