



Inverurie West Parish Church

Order of Service: Sunday 27 October 2024

Welcome to Sunday worship with Inverurie West, joined this morning by friends from Inverurie St Andrew's. 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 celebrate the Lord's supper using a 'teaching-style' communion liturgy. There is another chance to celebrate communion, very informally, at our all-age afternoon service at 3pm.

Welcome and notices

Call To Worship

HERE IN THIS PLACE NEW LIGHT IS STREAMING (CH4 623)

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

Reading 1: I Kings 8: 26-41 read by Linda Duncan

And now, God of Israel, let your word that you promised your servant David my father come true.

27 “But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built! 28 Yet give attention to your servant’s prayer and his plea for mercy, Lord my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. 29 May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, this place of which you said, ‘My Name shall be there,’ so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place. 30 Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

31 “When anyone wrongs their neighbour and is required to take an oath and they come and swear the oath before your altar in this temple, 32 then hear from heaven and act. Judge between your servants, condemning the guilty by bringing down on their heads what they have done, and vindicating the innocent by treating them in accordance with their innocence.

33 “When your people Israel have been defeated by an enemy because they have sinned against you, and when they turn back to you and give praise to your name, praying and making supplication to you in this temple, 34 then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your people Israel and bring them back to the land you gave to their ancestors.

35 “When the heavens are shut up and there is no rain because your people have sinned against you, and when they pray toward this place and give praise to your name and turn from their sin because you have afflicted them, 36 then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your servants, your people Israel. Teach them the right way to live, and send rain on the land you gave your people for an inheritance.

37 “When famine or plague comes to the land, or blight or mildew, locusts or grasshoppers, or when an enemy besieges them in any of their cities, whatever disaster or disease may come, 38 and when a prayer or plea is made by anyone among your people Israel—being aware of the afflictions of their own hearts, and spreading out their hands toward this temple— 39 then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Forgive and act; deal with everyone according to all they do, since you know their hearts

(for you alone know every human heart), 40 so that they will fear you all the time they live in the land you gave our ancestors.

41 “As for the foreigner who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name— 42 for they will hear of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm —when they come and pray toward this temple, 43 then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.

Reading 2: Luke 19: 45-46

When Jesus entered the temple courts, he began to drive out those who were selling. 46 “It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be a house of prayer’; but you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’”

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL (CH4 63)

Reflection

I COME WITH JOY, A CHILD OF GOD (CH4 656)

The Sacrament of the Lord’s supper

First action: Taking (‘As Jesus took a loaf of bread’)

Second action: Giving thanks (‘As Jesus gave thanks’)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is who who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

Third action: Breaking (‘As Jesus broke the bread’)

Fourth action: Sharing (bread, wine and peace are shared)

Fifth action : God's Sending

I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY (CH4 251)

Grace

Blessing

News

Communion - Feel free to join us again at 3pm this afternoon for our junior church style communion which is very relaxed and child focused.

Gifts Fair - next week on November 3rd, we'll be having a Gifts Fair during hospitality time after the service. This is an opportunity to find out about the different working groups and activities which together form our shared church life. Maybe you'll find something you'd like to get involved in!

Ubuntu Christmas preview evening - A fantastic chance to get some Christmas presents and other festive bits and bobs while also supporting small farmers and craftspeople. Monday 4 November from 6.30 to 8.00pm

Musical Worship Opportunity - If you'd like to join Iain Milne (tenor) and Iain Milne (organist) as part of the choir for the joint service on November 24th at St Andrew's please text or phone Iain on 07429 904180

Bible study - our relaxed and informal online bible study is on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm via Zoom. All welcome. No biblical knowledge needed! Please speak to Rhona if you would like the link.

Architectural services - if anyone has a family member, contact, or can give us a recommendation for a local architect to help us take forward the future of the Hall, please speak to Rhona or our session clerks Mark and Gillian.

Foodbank - This month's wish list includes: Tinned spaghetti/macaroni, Tinned meat (hot or cold), Tinned vegetables, Tea bags (40s/80s, please), Tinned tomatoes, Small jars of coffee, Pot noodles/Mug Shots, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full cream)

Fundraising and Stewardship - Registering with the EasyFundraising website is an easy way to use your online shopping to raise a little money for the church. The site is partnered with over 4000 retailers including big names like Amazon, Tesco and Argos. You can begin by following this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/inverurie-west-parish-church>

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@inveruriwestchurch.org

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

Donations to the work of the church (either nationally or to an individual congregation like ours) can be made online at <https://cos.churchofscotland.org.uk/donate/11>