



**Free Church
of St Andrews**

Sunday Evening – 11th May 2025

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This evening John MacPherson will speak on Matthew 10:5–25.

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Lord God, eternal and Almighty Father,
we confess and acknowledge that we are poor sinners,
prone to do what is evil,
and incapable of any good apart from your grace.
Have mercy upon us, gentle and merciful God,
in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
And fill us with your Holy Spirit,
so that we may abound in love more and more,
and be filled with the fruit of righteousness,
to your glory and praise. Amen.

Prayer

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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm 47

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| 1 All nations, clap your hands and shout!
Let joyful cries to God ring out! | 7 For God is King of all the earth;
Sing psalms of praise to him alone. |
| 2 How awesome is the LORD Most High,
Great King who rules the earth throughout! | 8 God rules the nations from on high;
He sits upon his holy throne. |
| 5 God has gone up with shouts of joy,
The LORD amid the trumpets' sound. | 9 The leaders of the nations come
To yield themselves to Abr'ham's God. |
| 6 Sing praise, sing praise to God Most High;
To God our King let praise abound. | To him belong the shields of earth;
Exalted greatly is the LORD! |

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.
Christ alone...

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne.
Christ alone...

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Notices

1) Hope Explored – A three-week series which provides an introduction to the Christian faith and explores the topics of hope, peace and purpose in life, continuing tomorrow evening at 7pm. Click [here](#) to find out more, including the address, and to express an interest.

2) 20s & 30s Social – 7pm, tomorrow evening (12th May) at BrewDog.

3) During the Week – Wednesday LifeGroups and Friday Fellowship continue as normal. Thursday LifeGroups has concluded for the year. Evergreens meets this Tuesday (13th May). Talk to a member of staff or send an email to church@standrewsfreechurch for more info about our regular bible studies.

4) Grad Sunday – On Sunday 25th May we will have lunch together after the morning service and spend time hearing from and praying for graduating students in the church family. Please bring your own lunch, but some soup will be provided to supplement it. Email mark@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk with any questions.

5) Foundations – A 3-day conference from 26th–28th May in the Halls about growing confidence in the Bible, deepening convictions and developing skills in reading and understanding it for ourselves with lots of time for fun and games together. Cost is £10, but let us know if that is an issue. Click [here](#) to sign up and chat to Abby if you have any questions (abby@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk)

6) Giving – You can support the work of the church financially by electronic bank transfer, by contactless payment after the service or by clicking [here](#). Our bank details are – A/c name: St Andrews Free COS; S/c: 80-09-55; A/c no: 00295283. If you would wish to make a contribution towards the Assistant Minister fund, you are making a sizeable donation or you are eligible for Gift Aid, please email treasurer@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Reading: John 15:18–27 (page 902)

1 **Man of sorrows, Lamb of God,**
by his own betrayed.
The sin of man and wrath of God
has been on Jesus laid.

2 Silent as he stood accused,
beaten, mocked and scorned;
bowing to the Father's will,
he took a crown of thorns.

*Oh that rugged cross, my salvation,
where your love poured out over me.
Now my soul cries out 'Hallelujah!
Praise and honour unto thee.'*

3 Sent of heaven, God's own Son
to purchase and redeem
and reconcile the very ones
who nailed him to that tree.
Oh that rugged cross, my salvation...

Now my debt is paid,
it is paid in full
by the precious blood
that my Jesus spilled.

Now the curse of sin
has no hold on me
whom the Son sets free
oh is free indeed.

Oh that rugged cross, my salvation...

4 See the stone is rolled away:
behold the empty tomb.
Hallelujah! God be praised,
he's risen from the grave.

Oh that rugged cross, my salvation...

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Reading and Sermon: Matthew 10:5–25 (page 815)

Matthew 10:5–25

The Mission is Urgent

- Trust the Apostolic Message and Proclaim it**

Suffering is Part of the Mission

- Expect Rejection, Stay Loyal**

- 1 **By faith we see the hand of God**
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those
who prove his faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.
- 2 By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the power of his
promise in their hearts;
of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.
- We will stand as children
of the promise.
We will fix our eyes on him
our soul's reward.
'Til the race is finished
and the work is done:
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*
- 3 By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear,
with the power to break
the chains of sin and death,
and rise triumphant from the grave.
- 4 By faith the church was called to go
in the power of the Spirit to the lost;
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in every corner of the earth.
We will stand as children of the promise...
- 5 By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the power of the gospel shall prevail;
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon his name.
We will stand as children of the promise...
- "By Faith" Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend
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Next week's services:

10.30am: Zechariah 4:1-6:8

6pm: Matthew 10:26-42

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