



**Free Church
of St Andrews**

Sunday Morning – 11th May 2025

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This morning Paul Clarke will speak on Zechariah 3:1–10.

Psalm 103

- 1 Praise God, my soul! With all my heart
Let me exalt his holy name.
- 2 Forget not all his benefits;
His praise, my soul, in song proclaim.
- 3 The LORD forgives you all your sins,
And heals your sickness and distress;
- 4 Your life he rescues from the grave,
And crowns you in his tenderness.

- 5 He satisfies your deep desires
From his unending stores of good,
So that, just like the eagle's strength,
Your youthful vigour is renewed.
- 6 The LORD is known for righteous acts
And justice to downtrodden ones.
- 7 To Moses he made known his ways,
His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.

- 8 The LORD is merciful and kind,
To anger slow, and full of grace.
- 9 He will not constantly reprove,
Or in his anger hide his face.
- 10 He does not punish our misdeeds,
Or give our sins their just reward.
- 11 How great his love—as high as heaven —
Towards all those who fear the LORD!

I hear the Saviour say,
"Thy strength indeed is small;
child of weakness watch and pray,
find in me thine all in all."

*Jesus paid it all,
All to him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.*

For nothing good have I
Whereby thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calv'ry's lamb.
Jesus paid it all...

And now complete in him,
My robe his righteousness,
Close sheltered 'neath his side,
I am divinely blessed.
Jesus paid it all...

Oh praise the One who paid my debt,
And raised this life up from the dead!
[x4]

And when before the throne
I stand in him complete,
'Jesus died my soul to save',
My lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all...

Elvina Mabel Hall, John Thomas Grape

Notices

1) Youth Group: Mark and Munch! – Meeting to study Mark's Gospel and to enjoy delicious desserts from 3:30–5:30pm this afternoon in the back hall. Contact Hilary for more details: hilaryous95@gmail.com

2) 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.

3) 20s & 30s Social – 7pm, tomorrow evening (12th May) at BrewDog.

4) 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.

5) 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.

6) 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)

7) 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

Children leave for Sunday School

O for a thousand tongues to sing

my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean;
his blood availed for me.

To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

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Zechariah 3:1–10

Intro: Dislikes and allergies

1) Accused and defended

2) Cleansed and clothed in purity

i) Sin removed and...

ii) ... righteousness given...

iii) ... by God's servant

3) Commissioned

Conclusion: Who we are and what we do

Psalm 51

- 1 O my God, have mercy on me
in your steadfast love, I pray;
In your infinite compassion
my transgressions wipe away.
- 2 Cleanse me from iniquity;
wash my sin away from me.
- 3 For I know my own transgressions;
I can see my sinful plight.
- 4 You, you only, I've offended,
and done evil in your sight;
So your words are verified,
and your verdict justified.
- 7 Cleanse with hyssop, purify me;
I'll be whiter than the snow.
- 8 Let the bones you crushed be joyful;
may I joy and gladness know.
- 9 From my failure hide your face;
blot out all my wickedness.
- 10 Lord, create a pure heart in me,
and a steadfast mind renew.
- 11 Do not take your Spirit from me;
cast me not away from you.
- 12 Give me back the joy I had;
keep my willing spirit glad.

Lord's Supper

We use non-alcoholic wine.

Gluten-free bread is available.

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us spiritually
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

What can wash away my sin?

Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
*Oh, precious is the flow,
that makes me white as snow!
No other fount I know,
nothing but the blood of Jesus!*

For my pardon this I see,
nothing but the blood of Jesus;
for my cleansing, this my plea:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Oh, precious is the flow...

Nothing can for sin atone,
nothing but the blood of Jesus;
naught of good that I have done,
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Oh, precious is the flow...

This is all my hope and peace,
nothing but the blood of Jesus;
this is all my righteousness,
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Oh, precious is the flow...

Robert Lowry (1826–1899)

This evening's sermon passage is Matthew 10:5–25.

Next week's services:

10.30am: Zechariah 4:1–6:8

6pm: Matthew 10:26–42

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