



**Free Church
of St Andrews**

Evening Service – 6th September 2026

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This evening Chris McLean will speak on Matthew 22:34–46.

All praise to him, the God of light,
who formed the mountains by his might.
All praise to him who names the stars,
that sing his fame in skies afar.
All praise to him who reigns in love,
who guides the galaxies above.
yet bends to hear our every prayer
with sovereign pow'r and tender care.

All praise to him whose love is seen,
in Christ the Son, the Servant King;
who left behind his glorious throne
to pay the ransom for his own.
All praise to him who humbly came
to bear our sorrow, sin, and shame,
who lived to die, who died to rise;
the all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to him whose pow'r imparts
the love of God within our hearts;
the Spirit of all truth and peace,
the fount of joy and holiness.
To Father, Son, and Spirit now
our souls we lift, our wills we bow
to you, the triune God, we raise,
with loving hearts our song of praise.

"All Praise To Him" Bob Kauflin, Matt Merker
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Reading: Psalm 110 (page 509)

**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.**

Psalm 18

- 1 I love you, LORD! You are my strength.
- 2 A fortress is the LORD to me —
My rock and my deliverer;
For refuge to my God I flee.
He is my stronghold and my shield,
The LORD who saves me by his might.
- 3 I'll call on him and give him praise.
I'm saved; he puts my foes to flight.

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| 4 The cords of death entangled me;
Destruction hit me like a wave. | 49 Therefore among the nations, LORD,
Your praise in song I will proclaim; |
| 5 Encircled by the snares of death,
I faced the terrors of the grave. | Before the peoples of the world
I'll sing the glory of your name. |
| 6 In my distress I called on God;
I cried out to the LORD for aid.
He from his temple heard my voice;
He listened to the prayer I made. | 50 You give your king great victories;
Your loving-kindness you will pour
On David, your anointed one,
And his descendants evermore. |

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.

Notices

O great God of highest heaven

Occupy my lowly heart.
Own it all and reign supreme,
Conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war.
You have loved and purchased me,
Make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin,
Had no ears to hear Your voice,
Did not know Your love within,
Had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then Your Spirit gave me life,
Opened up Your Word to me;
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace.
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed.
O great God of highest heaven
Glorify Your Name through me!

'O Great God', Bob Kauflin
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Reading and Sermon: Matthew 22:34–46 (page 828)

Matthew 22:34–46

Intro: With great power comes great responsibility

- **The Great Commandment – wholly love the Lord and radically love your neighbour (verses 34–40)**

- **The Greater Son – honour the promised son of David, Jesus Christ the Lord of all (verses 41–46)**

Conclusion: His great power, our responsibility

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art –
thou my best thought, in the day or the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my armour, be thou my true might;
thou my soul's shelter and thou my strong tow'r,
Raise thou me heav'nward, great pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou, and thou only, be first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, thou bright Heaven's Sun,
grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won;
heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O ruler of all.

Eleanor Henrietta Hull, Mary Elizabeth Byrne

Next week's services:

10:30am: 1 Peter 1:3–5

6pm: 1 Samuel 1–2

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Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! If you are new and would like to find out more about us, click [here](#) to fill in our welcome form and visit our website. You can also find digital copies of the service sheets and the option to give online.

If you have any questions or would like to join us for any of the events below, you can chat to the service leader or send us an email at church@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk

Prayer Meeting | Wed 9th September | 7:15pm

Join us to pray as a church family at Cosmos Community Centre. All are welcome!

Student Bonfire | Thur 10th September | 7:30pm

Join us on East Sands by the Coastguard Station.

Friday Fellowship | Fri 11th September | 10am

All women who are at home during the day are warmly invited to join us at 1 Dempster Place as we reflect on the Sunday morning sermon and pray for one another.

Freshers & Newcomers Lunches | Sun 13th September

If you are a new student, join us for lunch after both services next week. If you are relatively new to our church or are exploring churches in town, but you are not a student, you are invited to one of our Newcomers Lunches on 13th & 20th September.

Evergreens – This ministry is aimed at encouraging some of the 'more experienced' saints in our church family. Join us for tea, cake, encouragement and prayer at 2pm on Tuesday 15th September at 10 Doocot Road.

Student Lunch – In the Halls following the 11:30 service on 20th September on the topic of 'What am I really at university for?'

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