



# St Andrews **FREECHURCH**

## **Sunday Evening – 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This evening Hamish Sneddon will be speaking on Psalm 103:1-22.

**Who, oh Lord, could save themselves,  
their own soul could heal?  
Our shame was deeper than the sea,  
your grace is deeper still.  
(Repeat)**

*You alone can rescue, you alone can save,  
you alone can lift us from the grave.  
You came down to find us, led us out of death –  
to you alone belongs the highest praise.*

You, oh Lord, have made a way,  
the great divide you heal.  
For when our hearts were far away,  
your love went further still.  
*You alone can rescue...*

You Alone Can Rescue" Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin  
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**Reading:** Psalm 103:1-14

**Holy and merciful God,  
in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings,  
and our offences against you.  
You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting  
your love.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord,  
for we are ashamed and sorry  
for all we have done to displease you.  
Forgive our sins,  
and help us to live in your light  
and walk in your ways,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.**

## *Prayers*

**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*

### **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.

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| 8 The LORD is merciful and kind,<br>To anger slow, and full of grace.            | 12 As far as east is from the west,<br>So far his love has borne away<br>Our many sins and trespasses<br>And all the guilt that on us lay. |
| 9 He will not constantly reprove,<br>Or in his anger hide his face.              | 13 Just as a father loves his child,<br>So God loves those who fear his name.  |
| 10 He does not punish our misdeeds,<br>Or give our sins their just reward.       | 14 For he remembers we are dust,<br>And well he knows our feeble frame.  |
| 11 How great his love—as high as heaven—<br>Towards all those who fear the LORD! |  |

**Reading and sermon: Psalm 103:15–22**

# Psalm 103:1-22

**Introduction:** Soul talk

**We are to bless the Lord because...**

i) He is our God of overflowing gifts, v1-5

ii) He is our God of righteousness and justice, vv6-7

iii) He is our God of mercy and grace, vv8-14

iv) He is our God of eternal and secure love vv15-19

**Conclusion:** Our God who is to be universally, and personally, blessed

1 **Amazing grace! – (how sweet the sound)**

That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

2 The Lord has promised good to me,

his word my hope secures;

he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

3 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,

The sun forbear to shine;

But God, who called me here below,  
Will be forever mine.

4 When we've been there ten thousand years

bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

John Henry Newton, John P Rees, William Cowper

**Next week's services:**

10.30am: Luke 7:1-10

6pm: Psalm 126:1-6