

**CANONGATE KIRK
THE KIRK OF HOLYROODHOUSE
AND EDINBURGH CASTLE**

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First after Trinity

D Day & St Columba

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Improvised preludes

OPENING SENTENCE
our faith.

The victory by which the world is overcome is

1 John 5: 4

HYMN 742 Rejoice in God's saints

(Laudate Dominum)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

PRAYERS including

We confess to God almighty, to all the company of heaven, and to each other, that we have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, by our fault, by our own fault, by our own most grievous fault.

Therefore we beseech almighty God to give us the grace of true repentance, to have mercy upon us, and cleanse us from our sins.

Lord have mercy. **Christ have mercy.** Lord have mercy.

ABSOLUTION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

ANTIPHONAL PSALM 33: 1 – 12

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

**² Praise the Lord with the lyre;
make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.**

**³ Sing to him a new song;
play skilfully on the strings, with loud shouts.**

**⁴ For the word of the Lord is upright,
and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

**⁵ He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.**

**⁶ By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,
and all their host by the breath of his mouth.**

**⁷ He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle;
he put the deeps in storehouses.**

**⁸ Let all the earth fear the Lord;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.**

**⁹ For he spoke, and it came to be;
he commanded, and it stood firm.**

**¹⁰ The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;
he frustrates the plans of the peoples.**

**¹¹ The counsel of the Lord stands for ever,
the thoughts of his heart to all generations.**

**¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.**

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning, is now
And ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 12: 1 – 3

GOSPEL

St Mark 5: 35 – 41

SUNG RESPONSE

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
dying in weakness, but rising to reign. (H. Bonar)

PRAYER OF GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies: we, your unworthy servants, give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all people.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace and for the hope of glory.

Give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

HYMN 598 Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire *(St Columba)*

SERMON

HYMN 730 From the falter of breath *(Iona Boat Song)*

OFFERING Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

CREED **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
On the third day he rose again;
he descended to the dead.**

**he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS *ending with The Lord's Prayer*

HYMN 511 Your hand, O God, has guided *(Thornbury)*

THE BENEDICTION *ends with sung Amen*

VOLUNTARY *Voluntary op.5 no.1(Andante) by W.Boyce arr.by John Riley*

Welcome to Canongate Kirk! We extend a special welcome to all visitors - please join us in the foyer for tea and coffee after the service. Today we welcome John Riley to the organ bench while Simon is away. Please be aware we have an induction loop system for the benefit of those who use hearing aids. A livestreamed video of today's service is available on our website www.canongatekirk.org.uk - feel free to share the link. The latest edition of our monthly newsletter is now available on the website and paper copies can be found at the back of the church. If you would like to receive it by e-mail, please get in touch with the office.

Our redecoration project is almost complete. Thanks to a generous benefactor, we have also taken the opportunity to install a new audio-visual system – adjustments will need to be made so please bear with us as we try to get the settings right, both for the congregation in the pews and those watching on-line. Please also note that the city council – which owns the kirkyard – have tightened up on their rules about the gate. Frustrating as it may be, we can no longer leave the gate open and unattended, so please avoid driving into the kirkyard unless you really need to.

Craft Club This month's meeting of the Craft Club is tomorrow, Monday 8th June from 6.30pm – 8pm in the Harry Younger Hall. New members are most welcome - the group is open to crafters and non-crafters, skilled and non-skilled alike.

Open Kirk The Royal Mile is filling up with tourists again and our student interns will be welcoming tourists to the Kirk Monday to Friday during the Summer. However, we are looking for volunteers for Open Kirk on Saturdays and Sundays from May to September. Open Kirk is a valuable source of revenue for the church and if you would like to take a turn please sign up on the board in the foyer or contact Lesley Wallace on lesley.wallace@blueyonder.co.uk

Summer Concerts

13 th June 7.30pm	Calton Consort	www.ticketsource.com
28 th June 4pm	Danish Chamber Choir	FREE
6 th July 2.30pm	Seattle Children's Chorus	FREE

Sunday Rotas Please sign up to help if you can with tea/coffee after the service, reading lessons, arranging flowers or being part of a Sunday welcome team. The Open Kirk board has also gone back up to encourage volunteers at weekends.

Stamps Please continue to bring any used stamps along to church and put them in the box at the back of the church. Please trim the stamps leaving a margin of about a quarter of an inch (0.6cms) around them. We have already received £57 for the first sack of stamps.

St Giles' at Six - FREE concert: Organ Recital - Dr Peter Litman
Free entry, with an optional donation. Register for your ticket on Eventbrite.