

**28<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
(Pentecost Sunday)



*Kim Young Gil, Untitled Painting*

### ***Opening Hymn***

1. Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour  
glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame  
bestowing.

3. Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine  
inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings  
weeps with loathing.

2. O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat  
consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while  
my path illuming.

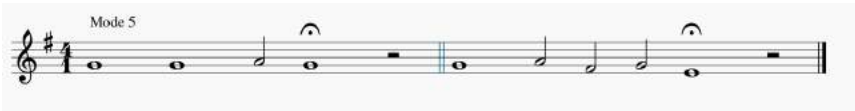
4. And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of  
human telling;  
nor can we guess its grace,  
till we become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes  
his dwelling.

*'Discendi, amor santo' by Bianco da Siena (d. 1434),  
trans. Richard F. Littledale (1833-1890)*

## Collect of the Day

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## Psalm 104:24-35



24. How many are your works, **O** LORD! :  
In wisdom you made them all; the earth is **full of** your **crea**-tures.
25. There is the sea, vast **and** spacious :  
teeming with creatures beyond number \* living things **both** large **and**  
small.
26. There the ships go to **and** fro, :  
and Leviathan, which you formed **to** fro-**lic** there.
27. All creatures look **to** you :  
to give them their food at **the** proper time.
28. When you give it to them they gather **it** up :  
when you open your hand they are **satisfied** with **good** things.
29. When you hide your face, they **are** terrified :  
when you take away their breath, they die and re-**turn** to **the** dust.
30. When you send your Spirit, they are **cre**-ated :  
and you renew **the** face **of the** ground.
31. May the glory of the LORD endure **for**-ever :  
may the LORD **re**-joice **in his** work;

32. he who looks at the earth, and **it** trembles :  
who touches the **mountains**, and **they** smoke.

33. I will sing to the LORD all **my** life :  
I will sing praise to my God **as** long **as** I live.

34. May my meditation be pleasing **to** him :  
as I re-**joice** in **the** LORD.

35. But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be **no** more :  
Praise the LORD, my soul \* **O** Praise **the** LORD!

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**out** end, **A**men.

### ***Offertory Hymn***

1. There's a spirit in the air,  
telling Christians everywhere:  
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working in our world!'

3. When believers break the bread,  
when a hungry child is fed,  
praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working, in our world.

5. When a stranger's not alone,  
where the homeless find a home.  
praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working, in our world.

2. Lose your shyness, find your tongue,  
tell the world what God has done:  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today!

4. Still the Spirit gives us light,  
seeing wrong and setting right:  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today!

6. May the Spirit fill our praise,  
guide our thoughts and change our ways.  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today!

7. There's a spirit in the air,  
calling people everywhere:  
praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working, in our world.

*Brian Wren (b.1936)*

## ***Final Hymn***

1. Come, Holy Spirit, come!  
Inflame our souls with love,  
transforming every heart and home  
with wisdom from above.

O let us not despise  
the humble path Christ trod,  
but choose, to shame the worldly-wise,  
the foolishness of God.

2. All-knowing Spirit, prove  
the poverty of pride,  
by knowledge of the Father's love  
in Jesus crucified.

And grant us faith to know  
the glory of that sign,  
and in our very lives to show  
the marks of love divine.

3. Give us the tongues to speak,  
in every time and place,  
to rich and poor, to strong and weak,  
the word of love and grace.

Enable us to hear  
the words that others bring,  
interpreting with open ear  
the special song they sing.

4. Come, Holy Spirit, dance  
within our hearts today,  
our earthbound spirits to entrance,  
our mortal fears allay.

And teach us to desire,  
all other things above,  
that self-consuming holy fire,  
the perfect gift of love!

*Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)*

## Notices

### **Today's Offertory**

Please remember to place your stewardship pledge forms in the plate as it is circulated today so that they can be brought up to the altar as part of our offering of ourselves to God in the eucharistic prayer. (If you have forgotten to complete yours or to bring it with you to church, please send it directly to the Treasurer, David Cole-Hamilton at 22 Buchanan Gardens, St Andrews, KY16 9LU.)

### **Local Produce: Potatoes**

Do you know where the potatoes you eat come from? Scotland is known for its potato growing and the fields around us are currently being planted. You can buy local potatoes from farm shops and markets, with minimal food miles and no plastic! You can also grow your own very easily as we have done in the church garden over the past few years. Even if you have no garden, you can grow them in pots or bags, as we are doing this year. There is almost nothing like a fresh local potato cooked anyway you like. See if you can find some at the farmer's market!! There will be a Farmer's Market this coming **Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June** (First Saturday of the Month!!) 9-1 South Street (West Port Arches).

### This week...

*Zoom links & liturgy booklets  
can be found at [www.stasstas.com](http://www.stasstas.com)*

#### **Monday**

10am ~ Butterflies (in person)

#### **Wednesday**

9pm ~ Compline (Zoom)

#### **Thursday**

12noon ~ Midday Prayer (Zoom)

#### **Friday**

11am ~ Holy Communion

#### **Sunday's Services**

10am ~ Eucharist

5pm ~ Evensong

## Sharing the Common Cup

Since Covid-related restrictions were eased we have reintroduced the common cup as part of our sharing in Holy Communion. Please be assured that we are making considerations of hygiene paramount, and each chalice is wiped with a purificator soaked in 97% grain alcohol after each communicant. If you are more comfortable receiving only the bread, then please feel entirely free to do so. **Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the cup of wine) is NOT permitted.**



## Today's readings

At 10am: Numbers 11.24-30  
Acts 2.1-21  
John 7.37-39

At 5pm: Joel 2.21-32  
Acts 2.14-21



## Next Sunday's readings

At 10am: Isaiah 40.12-17,27-31  
2 Corinthians 13.11-13  
Matthew 28.16-20

At 5pm: Isaiah 6.1-8  
John 16.5-15



## **Giving**

The life and ministry of this congregation is funded entirely by the regular giving of its people. If you would like to support us with a financial gift, you can do so now by picking up and using a yellow Gift Aid envelope or donating online by visiting [www.stasstas.com](http://www.stasstas.com) or scanning this QR code to be directed straight to our **JustGiving™** site.



# Saint Andrew's Scottish Episcopal Church



Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane

Welcome to church today! If you are here for the first time or visiting, we're especially pleased to have you with us and trust that you will feel at home and able to take a full part in our worship. But please feel absolutely free to participate in as much or as little of what goes on as you are comfortable with.

Worship is a time when we enter consciously into God's presence together, bringing with us all that we are and all that we have – our joys and sorrows, our hopes and anxieties, our achievements and our failures. We believe that God delights to meet with us, and to pour out his healing and transforming power among us as we offer up our praise and petitions, laying both our fullness and our emptiness before him; because he made us and loves us, despite everything.

Saint Andrew's St Andrews is a mixed congregation from many different walks of life, discovering together what it means to love God and to love those God has given us as our fellow-Christians, neighbours, co-workers, and strangers – even those we frankly find it difficult to get along with! So, we're on a steep learning curve, and all at different stages on the way.

We are a church with an open door where everyone is welcome. We make absolutely no apologies for our commitment to Jesus, but nor do we expect you necessarily to share that commitment or to bear its costs. You are welcome among us as a believer, a sceptic, someone unsure of what exactly they believe, or someone simply seeking sanctuary and solace from the unpredictable ups and downs of life, its hurts and disillusionments. Wherever you're coming from, you'll rapidly discover that there's no 'normal' here.

If you are visiting Saint Andrew's St Andrews from another church, please take our greetings with you to your own congregation when you return there.