



**Highland
International
Church
Inverness**

Sunday 21st February 2021

Highland International Church

Welcome & Notices

Welcome to our YouTube live-stream service:

<https://youtu.be/1KvpcQnPIInM>

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- **Sunday 21st February (today)**

10.00am – **Morning Service** – YouTube live-stream

5.00pm – **New City Catechism** by Zoom
(Question & Answer **No. 29**)

- **Tuesday 23rd February**

7.30pm – The **Church Council** meets by Zoom

- **Thursday 25th February**

7.30pm – We meet as a church family by Zoom
for **Bible study** and **prayer**.

HIGHLAND FOOD BANK

Here are the latest requests from the Inverness-based **Highland Food Bank**:

- Tins of potatoes – medium or small
- Bags of sugar

David and Emm Warmbath are willing to collect any donations (01463 710110), but it is also possible to *leave donations at the door of the Food Bank premises itself, provided it is open* – 1 Glebe Street, Inverness IV1 1RF

Order of today's 10.00 am service

THE 1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

Call to worship

*Jesus knew that the hour had come for him
to leave this world and go to the Father.
Having loved his own who were in the world,
he loved them to the end.*

John 13 v 1

PSALM 8

- 1. IN ALL THE EARTH, O LORD, OUR LORD,**
how glorious is your name!
For you have set above the heavens
your glory and your fame.
- 2.** From infants' and from children's lips
you ordered praise to sound,
to silence all your enemies,
the wicked to confound.
- 3.** When I regard the heavens you made,
your fingers' work I trace.
I see the moon and shining stars
which you have set in place.

4. I ask myself, 'What then is man
that you should give him thought –
the son of man, that you to him
such gracious care have brought?'
5. You set him just below the ones
who dwell in heaven above;
and you have crowned and honoured him
with glory and with love.
6. You gave him charge of all the works
created by your hand,
and everything that you had made
you gave him to command –
7. All flocks and herds, and birds and fish,
all beasts both wild and tame.
In all the earth, O Lord our Lord,
how glorious is your name!

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[PSALM 8 / PRAISE 8]

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (said together)

[MATTHEW CH.6, V.9-13, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION © 2011]

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.*

Bible reading (New International Version)

1 Thessalonians 2 v 5–12

⁵ You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed – God is our witness. ⁶ We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. ⁷ Instead, we were like young children [*gentle*] among you.

Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, ⁸ so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well. ⁹ Surely you remember, brothers and sisters, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you. ¹⁰ You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed. ¹¹ For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, ¹² encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

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Chat with the children

1. THE GOD WHO SETS THE SUN ABLAZE

In the open sky of our every day
He knows me, He knows my name

2. The God who causes each seed to grow
And the flower to bloom and the blossom to fall
He knows me, He knows my name

***Amazing God, Maker of all things
The Heavens and the Earth are in your hands
I worship you, Maker of all things
I give my praise, I give my heart to you***

3. The God who causes the wind to blow
And the tides to turn and the rivers to flow
He knows me, He knows my name

***Amazing God, Maker of all things
The Heavens and the Earth are in your hands
I worship you, Maker of all things
I give my praise, I give my heart to you***

***I give my praise, I give my heart to you
I worship you, Maker of all things
I give my praise, I give my heart to you***

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Bible Message



1. **THERE IS AN EVERLASTING KINDNESS**

you lavished on us,
when the radiance of heaven
came to rescue the lost.
You called the sheep without a shepherd
to leave their distress
for your streams of forgiveness
and the shade of your rest.

2. And with compassion for the hurting
you reached out your hand
as the lame ran to meet you
and the dead breathed again.
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow
and shared in our tears;
heard the sigh of the weary,
let the children draw near.

***What boundless love, what fathomless grace
you have shown us, O God of compassion.
Each day we live an offering of praise
as we show to the world your compassion.***

3. We stood beneath the cross of Calvary
and gazed on your face
at the thorns of oppression
and the wounds of disgrace;
for surely you have borne our suffering
and carried our grief,
as you pardoned the scoffer
and showed grace to the thief.

***What boundless love, what fathomless grace
you have shown us, O God of compassion.***

***Each day we live an offering of praise
as we show to the world your compassion.***

4. How beautiful the feet that carry
this gospel of peace
to the fields of injustice
and the valleys of need.
To be a voice of hope and healing,
to answer the cries
of the hungry and helpless,
with the mercy of Christ.

***What boundless love, what fathomless grace
you have shown us, O God of compassion.***

***Each day we live an offering of praise
as we show to the world your compassion.***

[REPEAT CHORUS]

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[PRAISE 1156]

Closing Benediction

***The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all.
Amen.***

Bible verses

John 13 v 3 – 5; v 14 – 17: Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel round his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped round him.... Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

1 Corinthians 9 v 11 – 15: If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more? But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ. Don't you know that those who serve in the temple get their food from the temple, and that those who serve at the altar share in what is offered on the altar? In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel. But I have not used any of these rights.

Quotation

William Hendricksen: *"There are a good many things which I have the right to do, but that does not mean that I should therefore do them! The real question is always: 'What course of action will be most useful in promoting the work of the kingdom and the glory of God?'"*
