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**St Salvator's Chapel**  
**Sunday 5 May 2024**  
**Easter 6 ♦ End of**  
**Candlemas Semester**

## About this Service

Welcome to St Salvator's Chapel to students, members of staff, family, friends, and all visitors. All are welcome at this ecumenical service, the final Sunday service of the Candlemas Semester, whether or not you share the Christian faith of this chapel. This printed order gives guidance as to the way we worship here. When words are in **bold type** we say them together. The words of the hymns are found in the purple hymn-books or printed in the order.

The preacher today is **Revd Dr Donald MacEwan**, University Chaplain.

**Music** is led by **Claire Innes-Hopkins**, Director of Chapel Music, **Campbell Watterson Organ Scholars**, and **St Salvator's Chapel Choir**.

**Readers:** The first reading is read by **Dr Charles Warren**, Associate Provost Students and Senior Lecturer, School of Geography and Sustainable Development. The second reading is read by **Tobias Bieri**, Masters student, Business School.

**Chapel Offerings:** One-third of the Chapel offerings go towards the costs of Chapel Services and the Chaplaincy, and two-thirds go to charity. The charity supported today is **Cupar Foodbank**. This is a project founded by local churches and community groups helping local people in crisis, to stop hunger in the local area with emergency food parcels, toiletries, and cleaning materials. Also, it offers a listening ear for people in crisis, offering advice on accessing further support and referrals for hot meals and clothing.

## Order of Service

**Processional Hymn**    *Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided*    159

1. Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
2. Lord, for that word, the Word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.
3. Lord, for our land, in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care,  
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
4. Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.
5. Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;  
past put behind us, for the future take us,  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

**Welcome**

### *Approach to the Word of God*

**Call to worship**

Bless the Lord my soul,  
**and forget none of his benefits.**  
(*Psalm 103: 2*)

**Introit**                      *Martin, Kyrie from Mass for Double Choir*

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison;                      *Lord have mercy; Christ, have mercy;*  
Kyrie eleison.    *Lord, have mercy.*

**Prayers of approach, thanksgiving, confession and forgiveness, and collect**

**Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass all understanding.  
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,  
that we, loving you above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

**Hymn**                      *God, who made the earth, declared it good in the beginning*      228

1. God who made the earth, declared it good in the beginning,  
planned a time and purpose for all things that were and  
would be.  
*While earth remains,  
there will be seed-time and harvest,  
summer sun and winter moon,  
the dead of night, the bright day.*
2. Though humanity defiled the Eden God had cherished,  
God did not despise the world; its worth he always  
could see.  
*Refrain*
3. God, in Christ, then came from paradise to imperfection,  
repossessing earth and people through a tomb and tree.  
*Refrain*

4. Wood though felled to earth produced a flower that will not  
perish  
seed, though dead and fallen, burst to life and rose up  
again.  
*Refrain*

Korean text, source unknown  
English version John L. Bell (b.1949)

### *The Word of God*

**First Reading**            Isaiah 40:3-5, 27-31

<sup>3</sup>A voice cries out:

‘In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

<sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.

<sup>5</sup>Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.’

<sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

‘My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God’?

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.

<sup>30</sup> Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
<sup>31</sup> but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

**Sermon**                    *13 Theses – or what I've noticed since 2011, part 1*

1. *A hardening of the oughteries.*
2. *A century ago the less you worked, the more status you had. Now it's flipped: the more you sit around and relax, the less status you have.*
3. *Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted.*
4. *The Thinking Allowed group has inspired me to be braver, more positive and faithful in exploring this PhD journey.*

**Choral Psalm 98**

1. Sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.
2. With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
3. The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
5. Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.
6. Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
7. With trumpets also and shawms: O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.
8. Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world, and they that dwell therein.
9. Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.
10. With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.

**Sermon**

*13 Theses – or what I've noticed since 2011, part 2*

5. *Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.*
6. *The strange death of liberal Christianity.*
7. *Rumours of the loss of faith in young people have been greatly exaggerated.*
8. *All are welcome, whether you share the faith of this chapel or do not.*
9. *God is clearly not a Christian.*

**Second Reading**

John 15:9-17

<sup>9</sup> Jesus said, 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

**Hymn**

*Oh, the summertime is coming* (Tune: Wild Mountain Thyme)

1. Oh, the summertime is coming  
and the trees are sweetly blooming  
by the Lade Braes and the Scores  
while the end of term is looming...

*Will you go, friend of mine,  
and we'll all go together  
with the joy of St Andrews  
in our hearts in every weather,  
let us go, friend of mine.*

2. Looking back on nights and days,  
Raisin foam, salt sea-water,  
freshers' fears, yet becoming  
full of love for alma mater...

*Will you go, friend of mine,  
and we'll all go together  
with the hope of St Andrews  
giving lightness as a feather,  
let us go, friend of mine.*

3. Finding faith across our time,  
in ancient Sallies Chapel,  
in candlelit St Leonard's,  
in a healing evening paddle...

*Will you go, friend of mine,  
and we'll all go together  
with the love of St Andrews  
warm as summer's purple heather,  
let us go, friend of mine.*

4. Coming soon – another life,  
whether leaving or returning,  
trusting God our companion  
will be with us on our journey...

*Will you go, friend of mine,  
and we'll all go together  
with the faith of St Andrews  
with us here, there, wherever,  
let us go, friend of mine.*

Donald MacEwan (b. 1970)  
based on *Wild Mountain Thyme* by Robert Tannahill (1774-1810)  
adapted by Francis McPeake (1885-1971)



**Sermon**

*13 Theses – or what I've noticed since 2011, part 3*

10. *Those who are unhappy have no need of anything in this world but people capable of giving them their attention.*
11. *You are an authentic and profound union.*
12. *We will: Furnish our students and staff with the knowledge and attributes that make their lives, as well as the communities around them, more sustainable.*
13. *Love one another as I have loved you.*

***Response to the Word of God***

**Anthem**

Harris, *Faire is the heaven*

Faire is the heaven where happy soules have place  
In full enjoyment of felicitie;  
Whence they do still behold the glorious face  
Of the Divine, Eternall Majestie;

Yet farre more faire be those bright Cherubins  
Which all with golden wings are overdight  
And those eternall burning Seraphins  
Which from their faces dart out fiery light;

Yet fairer than they both and much more bright  
Be the Angels and Archangels  
Which attend on God's owne person without rest or end  
These then in faire each other farre excelling  
As to the Highest they approach more neare  
Yet is that Highest farre beyond all telling

Fairer than all the rest which there appeare  
Though all their beauties joynd together were;  
How then can mortal tongue hope to expresse  
The image of such endlesse perfectnesse?

Edmund Spenser (1552/3-1599)

**Notices**

## Prayers of intercession and Lord's Prayer

### Response

As we pray,  
Hear us Lord.

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever, Amen.**

### Hymn

*Son of God, eternal Saviour*

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1. Son of God, eternal Saviour,  
source of life and truth and grace,  
Son of Man, whose birth incarnate  
hallows all our human race;  
great High Priest who, throned in glory,  
for your own will ever plead,  
fill us with your love and pity,  
heal our wrongs, and help our need.
2. Lord, as you have lived for others,  
so may we for others live;  
freely have your gifts been granted,  
freely may your servants give.  
Yours the gold and yours the silver,  
yours the wealth of sea and land,  
we but stewards of your bounty  
held in trust at your command.

3. Come, Lord Jesus, reign among us,  
King of Love, and Prince of Peace;  
hush the storm of strife and passion,  
bid its cruel discords cease.  
Yours the prayer, and yours the purpose,  
that your people should be one;  
grant from heaven our hope's fruition:  
here on earth your will be done.

\*Somerset Corry Lowry (1855 – 1932)

**Benediction and choral Amen**

**Voluntary**

## Forthcoming Services

For further information on the services listed below, including details of future services, dates and times, please visit our worship webpage:

[www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/)

### Sunday Worship – Service of Welcome

First Service of 2024-25 Martinmas Semester

Sunday 8 September, 11 am, St Salvator's Chapel

Preacher: Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, University Chaplain

**This service will be livestreamed.**

Link available at [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/community/worship/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/community/worship/)

### Jumma – Friday Prayers

Prayer sessions are available from **1:15 pm**, every Friday  
at the Chaplaincy, 3 St Mary's Place

### Orthodox Services

Orthodox services take place in St Leonard's Chapel  
in Greek and English, throughout the year.

**Next service: 19 May, 10:30 am**

### Graduation Thanksgiving Services

During graduation week, short services of thanksgiving will be held each day. These services, lasting no more than 30 minutes, are open to all graduating students, their families and guests, and all others, regardless of their faith or philosophy of life.

Monday 10 June, 11:15 am, St Salvator's Chapel

Tuesday 11 June, 9:30 am, St Salvator's Chapel

Wednesday 12 June, 9:30 am, St Salvator's Chapel

Thursday 13 June, 9:30 am, St Salvator's Chapel

Friday 14 June, 9:30 am, St Salvator's Chapel

**Compline:** Tuesday 11 June, 10 pm, St Leonard's Chapel

**Chapel Choir Concert,** Thursday 13 June, 5.30 pm, Chapel

**Alumni Weekend Service:** Sunday 16 June, 11 am, St Salvator's Chapel  
With holy baptism, and Neuhofen Sängerrunde, Austrian male voice choir  
Preacher: Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, Chaplain

## Chaplaincy Prize 2024-25

**The theme for the 2024-2025 award is 'Finding Peace'.**

**Prize: £250**

This year's theme is always significant – from finding peace of mind in a highly pressured environment, to peace with our own self in the messiness of life; from finding peace with others in our human relationships, to peace across communities with real differences; from finding peace, even reconciliation, in a time of conflict, violence and war, to finding peace with God, however understood.

**Entry criteria** information can be found on our webpage [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincy-prize/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincy-prize/)

**Closing date:** 5pm on Friday 31 January 2025

## The Chaplaincy

The Chaplaincy is centrally situated in the Mansefield Building opposite the Students Union. It is available for faith societies and other societies, private prayer and meditation, and is where all are welcome to meet Donald, Sam, Bill or others from the team.

The **Chaplaincy Booklet** containing details of faith societies and chaplaincy services is available in chapel and on our main webpage at [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/)

**Chaplaincy Mailing List:** If you would like to receive a weekly e-newsletter with details of services, concerts and faith society events, and occasional Companionship emails, please email your details to [chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk).

### **Looking for alternative places to worship over the summer?**

Why not check out what is happening in the local churches of St Andrews?

[www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/local-churches/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/local-churches/)

For the most up to date information on services please view both their webpage and Facebook page, links provided.

## Chapel Volunteers

**Reading in chapel:** We are looking for new and returning volunteers, both students and staff to read the Bible lessons at Sunday services over next semester.

**Chapel Ushers and Tech Team:** We are very keen to welcome new volunteer recruits to the Chapel Usher and Tech Teams for next year.

If you are interested in becoming a Bible reader, usher or tech support volunteer please email us at [chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk)

## Donations

**Chapel Donations:** You can make donations to the chapel in cash, via the contactless machine located at the rear of the chapel as you exit (**coming soon**), or through the online donation webpage. UK taxpayers who donate through our donation webpage, QR code provided, are eligible for Gift Aid. This means that we can claim an extra 25% on your donation from the UK government at no additional cost to you.



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# Have a great summer from all at the Chaplaincy!

Please feel free to contact Donald, Sam, or Bill direct should you wish to make an appointment to discuss any matter in confidence, whether or not related to faith. Chaplains are available through the summer.

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