

Notices

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Services this Sunday

10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Peter Cantley
John Libby

Cummersdale

10.30am Holy Communion

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Services Next Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Frank Tebbutt
Keith Mallon

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Peter Cantley

Mon 12 2.45pm Women's Fellowship

13/14/15 Homegroups as arranged

Wed 14 10.00 am and 1.30pm Toddlers

Thur 15 10.30am Sticky Fingers
7.00pm Bereavement Support Group

Notices

Our Op Shop is on the move! If you can help on either the 17th or 24th September, then please sign up at the back of Church.



Great North Run - Sunday 18th September. Both Andy Blake and Sandra Davidson are hoping to complete this run in aid of the Keppleway project. Sponsor forms are at the back of church.

GAP weekend forms and monies to be in **TODAY** please.

Please note: the **Ladies Guild meeting** on the 20th of **September** is **cancelled**.

Nick is looking for extra leaders for **Sunday Club** and someone to cook **jacket potatoes** for 5-10 people on a **Tuesday night** between 5.00pm and 6.30pm. If you can help, please see Nick.

Both **WAGS** (Women and God) and **Daddy and Me** are meeting on **Saturday 24 September** at **9.30am** in the Parish Centre.



JUST LOOKING!

Just Looking is just what it says: it's an opportunity to take a closer look at the Christian faith, but with no pressure to do anything more than just look. Please join us for refreshments, a talk, a time for discussion, and a chance to make new friends. **Next course starts, Tuesday 4 Oct 7:30pm**



Please Pray For:

Those who are ill or in hospital at this time, especially Fiona Hurley, Peggy Fluck, Glenda Davidson, Ann Bailey, Joyce Mason, Rita Norman and Sam Harris.

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S A I N T J A M E S C H U R C H C A R L I S L E

Family Worship and Thanksgiving
10.30am, Sunday, 11th September 2011



Welcome to our service of morning worship, and a special welcome to Bobbie and his family as they come to say thank you to God for the gift of their child. We continue looking at Paul's first letter to the Corinthians....

There is a programme in the Parish Centre for children up to the age of 12, and any children visiting us today are asked to join in those activities. The children will go over to the Parish Centre after the first part of this service. There is also a Creche available for parents and babies.

If you have a mobile telephone, please ensure that it is turned off and please refrain from flash photography during the service. Thank you.

If you are new to St. James please fill in one of the welcome cards on the pews.

Welcome

Opening Sentence:

I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. *1 Corinthians Chapter 1 verse 4*

Songs

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866–1960) William M. Runyan (1870–1957)

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The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.

He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone.
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

(Descant)

*I will trust, I will trust in You.
I will trust, I will trust in You.
Endless mercy follows me,
Goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

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We say sorry to God:

For times when we have chosen not to follow you,
Lord God, we are so sorry

For times when we have deliberately done things which
we know you have forbidden
Lord God, we are so sorry.

For times when we knew the right thing to do, but
decided not to do it
Lord God, we are so sorry.

For times when our words and actions have hurt those
who love us,
Lord God, we are so sorry.
Please forgive us, for we ask in Jesus' name. Amen

Assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a
kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins,
open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's
will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving for the birth of a child

Bobbie Atkinson

We are here today to give thanks for Bobbie with his
family and friends, and to support his parents in their
responsibilities with prayer and love. God became one
of us in Jesus, and understands all that surrounds the
arrival and upbringing of children. It is God's purpose
that children should know love within the stability of
their home, grow in faith, and come at last to heaven.

Songs before the Service

*Yesterday, today and forever,
You are the same, You never change.
Yesterday, today and forever,
You are faithful and we will trust in You.*

(Second time)

We will trust in You, we will trust in You.

Everlasting God,
The years go by, but You're unchanging.
In this fragile world,
You are the only firm foundation.
Always loving, always true,
Always merciful and good, so good.
Yesterday, today and forever...

Uncreated One,
You have no end and no beginning.
Earthly powers fade,
But there is no end to Your kingdom.
Always loving, always true,
Always merciful and good, so good.
Yesterday, today and forever...

Yahweh, God unchanging.
Yahweh, firm foundation.
(Repeat)

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As we come into Your presence (Because of Your love) Pg 5

(Bridge)

You're the One who has given us freedom
You're the One who is making us new
You're the One who is bringing us healing
We owe it all to You

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Offertory Prayer

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Closing Prayer and Blessing

**Prayer ministry is available in the
front right pew after the service**

**Please join us for refreshments
in the Parish Centre**

God our Creator, we thank you for the wonder of new life and for the mystery of human love. We thank you for all whose support and skill surround and sustain the beginning of life. We thank you that we are known to you by name and loved by you from all eternity. We thank you for Jesus Christ, who has opened to us the way of love. We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The minister addresses the wider family and friends
Will you do all that you can to help and support this family?

With the help of God, we will.

The parents and supporting friends say:

God our Creator, we thank you for the gift of this child entrusted to our care. May we be patient and understanding, ready to guide and to forgive; for we ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

Bobbie's family come forward.

What name have you given this child?

A parent replies:

His name is Bobbie Atkinson

Do you receive Bobbie as a gift from God?

Parents and supporting friends: We do.

Do you wish to give thanks to God and seek His blessing?

Parents and supporting friends: We do

The minister addresses the supporting friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support Hannah and Craig in the bringing up of Bobbie?

With the help of God, we will.

The minister takes the child.

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so now we ask God's blessing on Bobbie.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for his birth; surround him with your blessing that he may know your love, be protected from evil, and know your goodness all his days. **Amen.**

May Bobbie learn to love all that is true, grow in wisdom and strength, and in due time, come through faith and baptism to the fullness of your grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The minister prays for the parents

May God the Father of all bless Hannah and Craig, and give them grace to love and care for Bobbie. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for Bobbie's needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A copy of a Gospel is presented, with these words

Receive this book. It is the good news of God's love. Take it as your guide.

Song

**Your love is amazing,
Steady and unchanging;
Your love is a mountain,
Firm beneath my feet.
Your love is a mystery,
How You gently lift me;
When I am surrounded,
Your love carries me.**

Continued.....

*Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing.*

Your love is surprising,
I can feel it rising,
All the joy that's growing
Deep inside of me.
Every time I see You,
All Your goodness shines through,
And I can feel this God song
Rising up in me.

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Action Creed

Let us affirm, together our common faith in Jesus Christ:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
**We believe and trust in God the Father, source of all
being and life, the one for whom we exist.**
We declare
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
**We believe and trust in Jesus, God's only Son, who
took our human nature, died for us and rose again.**
We declare
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives
life to the people of God and makes Jesus known in
the world. We declare**
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

Talk

Song

(During the singing of this song young people up to the age of 12
are invited to leave for their own activities in the Parish Centre)

Who can know the mind of our Creator?
Who can speak of wonders yet unseen?
Who can reach the height of understanding,
To play the notes of wisdom's melody?

Who has weighed the dust of every mountain?
Who has walked the mysteries of the deep?
Who has laid the earth on its foundation
And who conducts the waves upon the sea?

*I stand in awe of You,
I stand in awe of You,
So glorious and true:
I stand in awe,
I stand in awe.*

You have seen the end from the beginning.
You have been before the world began.
You have reached to me within my darkness,
And in the light of mercy now I see.

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Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

**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 for ever. Amen**

Reading

1 Corinthians Chapter 1 verses 4-9

(Page 207 after the blue tag)

after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Song

Father, your love is a faithful love,
Enduring and never-failing love.
Throughout the ages steady and true,
And the dawn of each day
Brings Your mercies new.
And I will put my trust in You;
Father, Your love is faithful.
(Repeat)

So keep me in Your love today,
Take my hand and lead the way,
And let my words and life convey,
Father, Your love is faithful.

Great is Your faithfulness, (x3)

My God and Father.

(Repeat)

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Sermon

Great to know you

Song

(During these songs the offering will be taken up to the front)

As we come into Your presence,
We remember every blessing
That You've poured out so freely from above
Lifting gratitude and praises
For compassion so amazing
Lord, we've come to give you thanks for all you've done

*Because of Your love
We're forgiven
Because of Your love
Our hearts are clean
We lift you up
With songs of freedom
Forever we're changed
Because of Your love*

Continued....