Welcome to St Salvator’s Chapel to students, members of staff, family and friends, regular worshippers, and to all visitors. All are welcome at this ecumenical service, 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.

The preacher today is **Revd Dr Doug Gay**, Senior Lecturer, Theology and Religious Studies, University of Glasgow.

**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 **Revd Professor Ian Bradley**, Emeritus Professor, School of Divinity. The second reading is read by **Tanya Bennett**, MLitt School of Management student.

**Chapel Offerings:** One-third of the chapel offerings go towards the costs of chapel services and the Chaplaincy, and two-thirds go to charity. You can donate either in cash on the offering plate at the end of the service, or online at [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/). The charity supported today is the **Kingdom Vineyard - Storehouse**. Storehouse is a foodbank serving the most vulnerable people in our community of NE Fife, meeting the needs of individuals and families in time of need for food and to extend God’s kindness to them.
**Order of Service**

**Processional Hymn**  
*God is love: let heaven adore him*

1. God is love: let heaven adore him;  
   God is love: let earth rejoice;  
   let creation sing before him,  
   and exalt him with one voice.  
   He who laid the earth’s foundation,  
   he who spread the heavens above,  
   he who breathes through all creation:  
   God is love, eternal love.

2. God is love, and is enfolding  
   all the world in one embrace;  
   with unfailing grasp is holding  
   every child of every race.  
   And when human hearts are breaking  
   under sorrow’s iron rod,  
   then they find that selfsame aching  
   deep within the heart of God.

3. God is love: and though with blindness  
   sin afflicts the souls of all,  
   God’s eternal loving-kindness  
   holds and guides us when we fall.  
   Sin and death and hell shall never  
   o’er us final triumph gain;  
   God is love, so Love for ever  
   o’er the universe must reign.

Timothy Rees (1874-1939)

**Welcome**

*Approach to the Word of God*

**Call to Worship**

To the Lord belong the earth and everything in it,  
the world and all its inhabitants.  
*(Psalm 24:1)*
Introit  Brahms, *Geistliches Lied*

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren, sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, so sei vergnügt mein Wille!

Do not be sorrowful or regretful; Be calm, as God has ordained, and thus my will shall be content.

Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen?
Der Eine steht allem für, der gibt auch dir das Deine.

What do you want to worry about from day to day? There is One who stands above all who gives you, too, what is yours.

Sei nur in allem Handel ohn Wandel, steh feste, was Gott beschleußt, das ist und heißt das Beste.

Only be steadfast in all you do, stand firm; what God has decided, that is and must be the best.

Amen.

Amen.

Paul Flemming (1609-1640)

Prayers of approach, thanksgiving, confession, and forgiveness

Collect  Almighty God, you created the heavens and the earth, and made us in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen*

* Paul Flemming (1609-1640)
Hymn

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy

1. There’s a wideness in God’s mercy, like the wideness of the sea; there’s a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty.

2. There is no place where earth’s sorrows are more felt than in God’s heaven: there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.

3. For the love of God is broader than the grasp of mortal mind: and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

4. If our love were but more simple, we should take him at his word; and our lives be filled with glory from the glory of the Lord.

Fredrick William Faber (1814-1863)

The Word of God

First Reading Jonah 3:10–4:11

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

4 But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. 2 He prayed to the LORD and said, ‘O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. 3 And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.’ 4 And the LORD said, ‘Is it right for you to be angry?’ 5 Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.
The L ORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush.  But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered.  When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, ‘It is better for me to die than to live.’

But God said to Jonah, ‘Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?’ And he said, ‘Yes, angry enough to die.’ Then the L ORD said, ‘You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?’

Choral Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-44

1. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done.
2. O let your songs be of him, and praise him: and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.
3. Rejoice in his holy Name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.
4. Seek the Lord and his strength: seek his face evermore.
5. Remember the marvellous works that he hath done: his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth,
6. O ye seed of Abraham his servant: ye children of Jacob his chosen.
37. Egypt was glad at their departing: for they were afraid of them.
38. He spread out a cloud to be a covering: and fire to give light in the night-season.
39. At their desire he brought quails: and he filled them with the bread of heaven.
40. He opened the rock of stone, and the waters flowed out: so that rivers ran in the dry places.
41. For why? he remembered his holy promise: and Abraham his servant.
42. And he brought forth his people with joy: and his chosen with gladness;
43. And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they took the labours of the people in possession;
44. That they might keep his statutes: and observe his laws.
Jesus said, ‘For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; 4 and he said to them, “You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went. 5 When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. 6 And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, “Why are you standing here idle all day?” 7 They said to him, “Because no one has hired us.” He said to them, “You also go into the vineyard.” 8 When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, “Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.” 9 When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. 10 Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. 11 And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, 12 saying, “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.” 13 But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? 14 Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?” 16 So the last will be first, and the first will be last.’

**Hymn**

*Inspired by love and anger*  (v. 3 north side; v, 4 south side) 253

1. Inspired by love and anger,
   disturbed by need and pain,
   informed of God’s own bias,
   we ponder once again:
   ‘How long must some folk suffer?
   How long can few folk mind?
   How long dare vain self-interest
   turn prayer and pity blind?’
2. From those for ever victims of heartless human greed, their cruel plight composes a litany of need: ‘Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace? When is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?’

3. From those for ever shackled to what their wealth can buy, the fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry, ‘Don’t query our position! Don’t criticise our wealth! Don’t mention those exploited by politics and stealth!’

4. To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age, we offer earth’s indifference, its agony and rage: ‘When will the wrongs be righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the world be generous to all instead of some?’

5. God asks, ‘Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?’
6. Amused in someone’s kitchen,
asleep in someone’s boat,
attuned to what the ancients
exposed, proclaimed, and wrote,
a saviour without safety,
a tradesman without tools
has come to tip the balance
with fishermen and fools.

John L. Bell (b. 1949)
and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

Sermon Should you be angry?

Response to the Word of God

Anthem Vaughan Williams, O Taste and See

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blest is the man that trusteth in him.
O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blest is the man that trusteth in him.
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.
The man that trusteth in him.

Notices

Prayers of intercession and Lord’s Prayer

Response God of love
Hear our prayer

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**

_We sing a love that sets all people free_

1. We sing a love that sets all people free,
   that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame,
enfolds like earth, springs up like water clear:
come, living love, live in our hearts today.

2. We sing a love that seeks another’s good,
   that longs to serve and not to count the cost,
a love that, yielding, finds itself made new:
come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

3. We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid
   to be itself, despite another’s wrath,
a love that stands alone and undismayed:
come, strengthening love, live in our hearts today.

4. We sing a love, that, wandering, will not rest
   until it finds its way, its home, its source,
through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed:
come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

5. We sing the Holy Spirit, full of love,
   who seeks out scars of ancient bitterness,
brings to our wounds the healing grace of Christ:
come, radiant love, live in our hearts today.

   June Boyce-Tillman (b. 1943)

**Benediction and choral Amen**

**Voluntary**
Forthcoming Services

Sunday Worship
St Salvator’s Chapel, Sunday 1 October at 11 am

Preacher: Fiona Barnard, Honorary Global Chaplain
Readings: John 1:1-18; Matthew 13:44-46
Sermon: What’s the story?

This service will be livestreamed for those unable to attend in person, the link for which can be found in the Livestreamed Services section of our Worship webpage
https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/community/worship/

A full list of Chapel Services and text of the sermons, where provided, can be found at https://sermons.wp.st-andrews.ac.uk

Choral Evensong
St Salvator’s Chapel
Weekly on Wednesday and Sunday at 5:30pm
Tonight: Sunday 24 September
Wednesday 27 September
A 45-minute service of prayer, both spoken and sung by St Salvator’s Chapel Choir.
www.events.st-andrews.ac.uk/event-organizer/chaplaincy/

Compline
Weekly on Thursdays, 10 pm, in St Leonard’s Chapel, The Pends
Next Service: Thursday 28 September
A service of night prayer, with music, spoken prayers and silence in the beautiful surroundings of St Leonard’s Chapel lasting approximately 30 minutes.
https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/community/worship/

Jumuah – Friday Prayers
Prayer sessions are available at 1:15pm, every Friday in Lochnagar meeting room, Chaplaincy.
Orthodox Services
Orthodox services take place in St Leonard’s Chapel in Greek and English, throughout the year.
**Next Service: Sunday 1 October**
Details of forthcoming services can be found at: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincyandfaiths/orthodoxliturgies/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincyandfaiths/orthodoxliturgies/)

Chaplaincy Events

Yoga with Molly – free classes at the Chaplaincy
We are delighted to offer free beginners yoga classes to students during semester 1. Yoga equipment is provided.
Dates and times will be published on the Chaplaincy Events page.
Sign up will be week-by-week only - look out for our weekly posts on Instagram and Facebook advertising that registration is open.
Contact the Chaplaincy, [chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk) for further information.

Turning Pages
A group for staff, meeting monthly, to discuss readings mainly on faith.
**Tuesday 26 September, 5:30 pm, 10 Abbey Street**
Reading: Jan Milič Lochman, *The Faith We Confess*
Contact Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, [dgm21@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:dgm21@st-andrews.ac.uk) for further information.

Textual Reasoning
Weekly on Tuesdays, 7 - 9 pm, Chaplaincy Lochnagar room
**Next Meeting: Tuesday 26 September**
An interfaith discussion group for students to explore open-ended interpretations of revered texts from all traditions.
Students select topics and share texts to see how different traditions respond to the same concerns. Come along if you are interested in exploring the world’s religions in a thoughtful, open, and questioning environment. Led by Assistant Chaplain, Bill Shackman.
Email [bs58@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:bs58@st-andrews.ac.uk) for further information.
**Chaplain’s Conversation**
Discover more about the people of the University of St Andrews. In conversation with the Chaplain, Donald MacEwan, these key figures will explore their path to the university, what inspires them in their research and their thoughts about the future of education.

**Wednesday 27 September, 5:30 pm, The Byre Theatre**
Dr Ife Okafor-Yarwood
School of Geography and Sustainable Development

Free Tickets available from the Byre Box Office

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**Grief Group**
Lochnagar Room, Chaplaincy, 1 – 2 pm

**Staff Group: Thursday 28 September**

The group offers a safe place to discuss and share various aspects of grief and the opportunity to find common ground with others to feel less isolated and alone.

Light lunch will be provided, or feel free to bring your own.

If you are interested, please email the Assistant Chaplain, Revd Samantha Ferguson on sjf6@st-andrews.ac.uk or contact the Chaplaincy on chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk.
[www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/eventsandgroups/griefgroup/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/eventsandgroups/griefgroup/)

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**Thinking Allowed**
Discussion group on faith and society.

**Next Meeting: Thursday 28 September, 8 - 9:30 pm, 10 Abbey Street**
Topic: *Can God guide people or species without their awareness?*
*If so, why are we suffering from extreme environmental issues?*
*What responsibilities do we have for the environment?*
All welcome, no matter your faith or background.
Contact Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, dgm21@st-andrews.ac.uk for further information.
Faith and Storytelling
A group led by our honorary Global Chaplain, Fiona Barnard
Friday evenings, 7:30pm
Contact Fiona at fvb@st-andrews.ac.uk for further information.

Other Events

STEPS (St Andrews Education for Palestinian Students)
Autumn Event - Health Care Under Occupation:
challenges for cancer and post-trauma care in Gaza, Palestine

Monday 25 September, 5.30-7pm
Medical Science Building, Booth Lecture Hall, North Haugh

Speakers: Gerry O’Hare and Dr Malaka Shwaikh

Gerry O’Hare is an Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist in the West of Scotland. He visited the West Bank for several years in a personal capacity to support cancer nursing in Palestine. This led to the development of the first ever postgraduate diploma cancer/palliative care nursing at Bethlehem University, including Glasgow placements for Palestinian nurses.

Dr Malaka Shwaikh is an associate lecturer in Peace and Conflict Studies at the School of International Relations, the University of St Andrews. Born in Palestine, she has been involved in several health projects, the latest of which is the entrepreneurial refugee fund (funded by the University of St Andrews) to support refugees in Palestine, Syria and Turkey with health-related projects.

For event sign-up and further information email Ellen Colingsworth, STEPS trustee & secretary on: e.colingsworth@gmail.com

Organ Recital with Kevin Duggan (Dunblane Cathedral)
Tuesday 26 September, 1:10pm, St Salvator’s Chapel
Admission £5, Free to Music Centre members
events.st-andrews.ac.uk/event-type/music/
Faith Societies

If you would like to learn more about the many faith societies, and connect with them, you will find contact details on our webpage at www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/faith-societies/

Chaplaincy Prize 2023-24

The theme for the 2023/2024 award is ‘Crossing Cultures’. Prize: £250

This could be an essay, or piece of poetry, hymn, song or short story, or a practical project. It could include photos, images or video.

To enter, submit your entry directly by email attachment in either Word or PDF format, to chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk, or in person to the Chaplaincy, Mansefield, 3a St Mary’s Place, St Andrews.

Closing date: 5pm on Wednesday 31 January 2024

Full entry criteria available at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincy-prize/
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.
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 the next academic year.

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

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

From time to time images and filming of events and chapel services may take place to share on our social media channels and in future publicity material. Images will be stored securely on university devices. No personal details will be saved with these images, although you may be tagged in social media posts. If you would prefer not to be photographed/filmed, please speak to a member of our team, preferably in advance. You can also email chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk. You also have the right to request that social media images be deleted should you withdraw consent at a future date.
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.

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