Holman Hunt, *The Light of the World*, 1853

**St Salvator’s Chapel**

**Sunday 27 November 2022**

**St Andrewstide**

**Advent Sunday**
Welcome to St Salvator’s Chapel to students, members of staff, family, friends and 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 unless printed in this order of service.

The preacher today is Professor Stuart Monro, Acting Senior Lay Member, University Court.

Music is led by Claire Innes-Hopkins, Director of Chapel Music and Campbell Watterson Organ Scholars. St Salvator’s Chapel Choir is joined by a Music Centre orchestra today, comprising professionals and students: Benjamin Shute, Andrew Lees, Campbell Lang, Liv Howdall, Olivia Armitage, Patrycja Mitka, Andrew Thorn, Jess Dalley, Alistair Grant, Neve Green, and Jacob Collins. The strings are using modern instruments, with baroque bows. We are immensely grateful to them for their playing, and to Benjamin Shute who has worked with them to prepare the Bach for this service.

Readers: The first reading is read by Rosalind Garton, retired Open Association and Evening Degree Tutor. The second reading is read by Katherine Stratton, PhD Modern Languages 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. The charity supported today is Keep Scotland Beautiful, a charity that campaigns, acts and educates on a range of local, national and global issues to change behaviour and improve the quality of people’s lives and the places they live.
Order of Service

Academic Procession

Welcome

Approach to the Word of God

Call to Worship

A harvest of light has arisen for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.  
(Psalm 97:11)

Lighting of the first Advent Candle with collect

Collect

Ever-living God,  
from whose hand creation comes,  
and whose Spirit is the world’s companion  
now and always,  
may this candlelight  
which grows through Advent  
be a sign of the light of knowledge  
dispelling ignorance and fear,  
of the light of love overcoming darkness,  
and of the light of hope that this world will flourish by  
your grace  
in the coming of Jesus Christ,  
Amen.

Hymn

‘Wake, awake! for night is flying’  
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1. ‘Wake, awake! for night is flying’,  
the watchmen on the heights are crying.  
‘Awake, Jerusalem, at last!’  
Midnight hears the welcome voices,  
and at the thrilling cry rejoices:  
‘Come forth, you virgins, night is past!  
The Bridegroom comes; awake,  
your lamps with gladness take,
Alleluia!
and for his marriage feast prepare,
for ye must go and meet him there.'

2. Zion hears the watchmen singing,
and all her heart with joy is springing;
she wakes, she rises from her gloom;
for the Lord comes down all-glorious,
the strong in grace, in truth victorious;
her Star is risen, her Light is come!
Now come, O blessed One,
God's own beloved Son,
Alleluia!
We follow to the festal hall
to sup with you, the Lord of all.

3. All the heavens and earth adore you,
and saints and angels sing before you,
with harp and cymbal's clearest tone;
Zion's gates of pearl before us
resound as angels sing in chorus
and lead us to your dazzling throne.
No mortal eye nor ear
can comprehend or bear
such great glory;
but we rejoice and sing the song,
Alleluia! through ages long.

Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)
trs. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Prayers of approach, thanksgiving, confession, and forgiveness

Collect
Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away
the works of darkness
and put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ
came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge both the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen*

The Word of God

First Reading    Ecclesiastes 3: 1-13

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
2 a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
3 a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
4 a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
5 a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
6 a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
7 a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
8 a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

9 What gain have the workers from their toil? 10 I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. 11 He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover, he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. 12 I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; 13 moreover, it is God’s gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.
Hymn

*I to the hills will lift mine eyes* (Psalm 121)

1. I to the hill will lift mine eyes.
   From whence doth come mine aid?
   My safety cometh from the Lord,
   who heaven and earth hath made.

2. Thy foot he’ll not let slide, nor will
   he slumber that thee keeps.
   Behold, he that keeps Israel,
   he slumbers not, nor sleeps.

3. The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade
   on they right hand doth stay:
   the moon by night thee shall not smite,
   nor yet the sun by day.

4. The Lord shall keep they soul; he shall
   preserve thee from all ill.
   Henceforth they going out and in
   God keep for ever will.

*Psalm 121*

*The Scottish Psalter, 1929*

Second Reading  Matthew 24:36-44

36 Jesus said, ‘But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37 For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, 39 and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. 41 Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. 42 Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43 But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.
1. Look upon us, blessèd Lord,
take our wandering thoughts and guide us:
we have come to hear your word:
with your teaching now provide us,
that, from earth’s distractions turning,
we your message may be learning.

2. For your Spirit’s radiance bright
we, assembled here, are hoping:
when we live without your light,
in the dark our souls are groping:
in word, deed, and thought direct us:
only you, Lord, can correct us.

3. Brightness of the Father’s face,
Light of Light, from God proceeding,
make us ready in this place:
ear and heart await your leading.
In our study, prayers, and praising,
may our souls find their upraising.

Tobias Clausnitzer (1619-1684)
translated Robert Alexander Stewar Macalister
(1870-1950)

Sermon

Let there be light!
Response to the Word of God

Cantata

J S Bach, Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 61
(Cantata for the First Sunday of Advent)

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland,
der Jungfrauen Kind erkannt,
des sich wundert alle Welt:
Gott solch Geburt ihm bestellt.

Der Heiland ist gekommen,
hat unser armes Fleisch und Blut an sich
genommen
und nimmt uns zu Blutsverwandten an.
O allerhöchstes Gut,
was hast du nicht an uns getan?
Was tust du nicht
noch täglich an den Deinen?
Du kommst und läßt dein Licht
mit vollem Segen scheinen.

Komm, Jesu, komm zu deiner Kirche
und gib ein selig neues Jahr!
Befördre deines Namens Ehre,
erhalte die gesunde Lehre
und segne Kanzel und Altar!

Siehe, ich stehe vor der Tür und klopfe an.
So jemand meine Stimme hören wird
und die Tür auftun,
zu dem werde ich eingehen und das
Abendmahl
mit ihm halten und er mit mir.

Öffne dich, mein ganzes Herze,
Jesus kömmt und ziehet ein.
Bin ich gleich nur Staub und Erde,
will er mich doch nicht verschmähn,
seine Lust an mir zu sehn,
daß ich seine Wohnung werde.
O wie selig werd ich sein!

Amen, amen,
komm, du schöne Freudenkrone,
bleib nicht lange.
Deiner wart ich mit Verlangen.

Come now, Saviour of the heathens,
the Virgin’s child made known,
at which the whole world marvels
how God assigned him such a birth.

The Saviour has come,
assuming our feeble flesh and blood
and adopting us as blood relatives.
O supreme good,
what have you not done for us?
What do you not do
even daily for your own?
You come and let your light
shine with full blessing.

Come, Jesus, come unto your church
and grant a blessed new year!
Advance the honour of your name,
preserve the sound doctrine
blessing pulpit and altar!

Behold, I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone will hear my voice
and open the door
there I will enter in and partake in supper,
with him and he with me.

Open yourself my heart completely
that Jesus might come and enter in.
Although I am but dust and dirt
he still will not reject me,
his desire to look upon me
that I might become his dwelling.
O how blessed I will be!

Amen, amen,
come, you lovely crown of joy,
do not tarry.
I await you with longing.
Prayers of intercession and Lord’s Prayer

Response  
Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

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  Jesus calls us! O’er the tumult

1. Jesus calls us! O’er the tumult
   of our life’s wild restless sea,
   day by day his voice is sounding,
saying, ‘Christian, follow me’.

2. As, of old, Saint Andrew heard it
   by the Galilean lake,
   turned from home and toil and kindred,
   leaving all for his dear sake.

3. Jesus calls us from the worship
   of the vain world’s golden store,
   from each idol that would keep us,
saying, ‘Christian, love me more’.

4. In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
‘Christian, love me more than these’.
5. Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
   Saviour, make us hear your call,
   give our hearts to your obedience,
   serve and love you best of all.

   Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Benediction

Voluntary J S Bach, *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland* BWV 661

Holy Communion (for those who stay)

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**Forthcoming Services**

**Sunday Worship**
Sunday 4 December at 11am, St Salvator’s Chapel

**Preacher: Professor Oliver Crisp**
Principal, St Mary’s College and Head of School of Divinity

**Sermon:** *The Root of Jesse*

**Readings:** Isaiah 11: 1-10; Matthew 3: 1-12

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/](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](https://sermons.wp.st-andrews.ac.uk)

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**Jumuah – Friday Prayers**
Prayer sessions are available at 12:45 pm, every Friday in Lochnagar meeting room, Chaplaincy.

For further details email [chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk)
Orthodox Services
Orthodox services take place in St Leonard’s Chapel in Greek and English, throughout the year.

Orthodox Liturgy: St Leonard’s Chapel

Sunday 18 December, 10:30 am

Details of forthcoming services can be found at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincyandfaiths/orthodoxliturgies/

Services of Thanksgiving for Graduation

Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 November, St Salvator’s Chapel with music from St Salvator’s Chapel Choir
Both services begin at 9:30 am

Each morning of graduation, there is a half-hour Service of Thanksgiving in St Salvator’s Chapel.

On Tuesday 29 November, the guest preacher will be Bill Shackman, Assistant Chaplain. As an interfaith chaplain Bill works closely with the University faith societies to foster dialogue between people of all faiths and traditions. Bill is also involved with Environmental and Digital matters for the chaplaincy.

Sermon title: Where are you?

On St Andrew’s Day, Wednesday 30 November, the preacher will be Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, University Chaplain, with a sermon entitled, Ever to X-ell.

All graduating students, their families and guests, and all students, staff and others of any faith or philosophy of life are very welcome to attend. Graduating students have time beforehand to collect their gown, and the services will finish in good time for people to then go to the morning ceremony.

Both services will be livestreamed:
https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/
Christmas Services and Concerts

From Darkness to Light
Advent Service of Music and Readings
with St Salvator’s Chapel Choir
This evening: Sunday 27 November at 5:30 pm, St Salvator’s Chapel

Madrigal Group Christmas Concert
‘A Spotless Rose’
Thursday 1 December at 7:30 pm, St Salvator’s Chapel
General admission £8, students £5 available on the door or online
www.fixr.co/event/a-spotless-rose-st-andrews-madrigal-groups-christm-tickets-175000669

University Carol Service
Saturday 3 December at 7:30 pm, Holy Trinity Church
Bringing Christmas to life with carols sung by St Salvator’s Chapel Choir, and a reflection on the Christmas story from the Chaplain, Revd Dr Donald MacEwan.
This service will take place in-person, and will be filmed and available to watch at a later date, a link for which will be published on our Worship, Carol Services web page
www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/worship/carols/

The new Christmas CD from St Salvator’s Chapel Choir ‘The Tyger and the Lamb: A Christmas Dance’, will be available to buy on the night at the discounted price of £10.
(RRP £14.50 via the University Online Shop).

Nine Lessons and Carols
Sunday 11 December at 8:45 pm, St Leonard’s Chapel, The Pends
An intimate celebration of Christmas with carols sung by choristers from St Leonard’s Chapel Choir, and traditional readings.
This service will take place in-person only.
Alumni Carol Service
St Salvator’s Chapel, Wednesday 14 December at 7 pm
A service of traditional carols and readings for our alumni community, with sermon preached by Revd Alan Kimmitt BSc 1984, Minister, Glenrothes: St Columba’s Church of Scotland, followed by a reception. Please contact Alumni Office for further information and ticket information for the reception.
https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/development/alumni/

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
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Carols by Candlelight
Friday 24 December at 2 pm, 4 pm and 6 pm,
St Leonard’s Chapel, The Pends
Family celebrations of Christmas as darkness falls on Christmas Eve with congregational carols and readings from children. These services will take place in-person only.

We welcome details of younger readers aged between about 10-16 years old who would like to read a Bible passage at this service. Please contact the Chaplain, Donald MacEwan at dgm21, with suggestions.

Chaplaincy Events

Turning Pages
A group for staff, meeting monthly, to discuss readings mainly on faith.
Tuesday 20 December, 5:30 pm
Reading: from Julian of Norwich, Revelations of Divine Love

Contact Revd Dr Donald MacEwan, dgm21@st-andrews.ac.uk for further information.
Grief Group
Lochnagar Room, Chaplaincy, 1 – 2 pm
Staff Group: 26 January 2023
Student Group: 2 February 2023

These groups are open to all who are grieving, and this does not have to be a recent loss. It offers an opportunity to find common ground with others in order to feel less isolated and alone and is a safe place to discuss and share various aspects of grief. Refreshments will be provided, or you are welcome to bring your own lunch.

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/

Faith Societies and Groups

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 2022-23

The theme for the 2022/23 award is ‘Scotland’s Future’.

This year’s theme is inspired by The Scotland’s Future Series, an initiative launched by the Principal’s Office, which aims to stimulate discussion and debate about Scotland’s future. It aims to bring forward intellects, ideas, and voices to the wider public on a range of issues and opportunities which Scotland currently faces.

One such issue is faith – how we explore and celebrate its many forms is the theme the Chaplaincy would like to bring to the fore within its prize award this year.

**Prize awards:** First £250 / Second £150 / Third £50

**Closing date:** 5 pm on Tuesday 31 January 2023.

**Full entry criteria available at:**
[www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincy-prize/](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/chaplaincy/chaplaincy-prize/)

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Get Involved

**Reading in Chapel:** We are looking for new and returning volunteers, both students and staff to read the Bible lessons at Sunday Service over this academic year. If you are interested, contact the Chaplaincy at chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk with your details.

**Chapel Ushers and Tech Team:** We are very keen to welcome new recruits to the Chapel Ushers and to the Tech Team: if you are interested please speak to any Usher at the end of the service or email the Chaplaincy chaplaincy@st-andrews.ac.uk with your details.
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 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/

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.

FACEBOOK

Due to technical issues the original chaplaincy Facebook page had to be closed but we are delighted to announce that a new Facebook page has now been created. Please LIKE and add to your favourites to keep up to date with the latest news and events.

www.facebook.com/UStA.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.

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