

Sunday Worship

Worship will take place at 11am in
**Bennochy during February:
9th, 16th, & 23rd.**

While we look to the future it was felt that moving between centres frequently can confuse and lacks stability.

The Kirk Session meets in February when it will, among other things, make a longer term decision on the location for Sunday morning worship.

*Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray;
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Keep me singing till the break of day.*

*Chorus
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of Kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King!*

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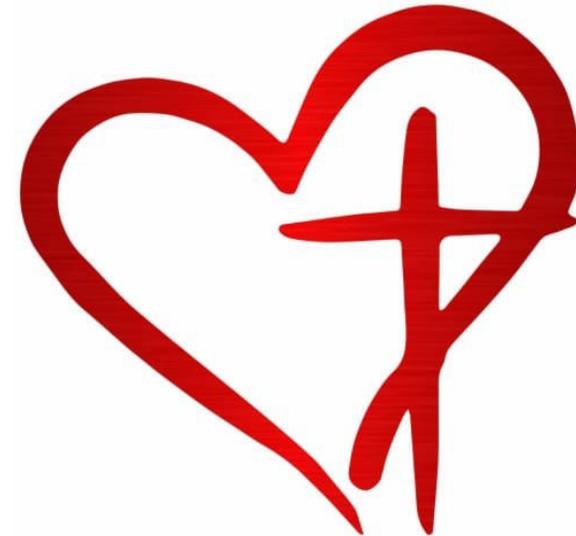
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,

Langtoun Central Church

Union of Abbotshall, Bennochy, Linktown, and St Bryce Kirk congregations

Welcome to Worship

2nd February 2025 11am



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COMMENT ON THE GOSPEL

Jesus, filled with the Spirit, is back in his hometown of Nazareth. Last week we focussed on him in his local synagogue reading words from the prophet Isaiah. Having read from the Scriptures, Jesus declares that they have been fulfilled and declares himself a prophet. He continues by telling stories of Elijah and Elisha and how they helped outsiders, not just their own people. The people are enraged and respond by trying to throw him off a cliff, but Jesus walks through them and goes on his way. Jesus' authority remains untouched by the people's animosity; he walks unharmed through the crowd. The good news cannot be easily stifled by old ways of thinking. God calls us to be loving to others but sometimes this means showing 'tough love' in order to create a new kind of community.

We may ask ourselves what upsets us, troubles us, challenges us, or even

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Order of Service



Please feel free to stand or remain seated during hymns
An induction loop is installed. Switch hearing aid to 'T' position.

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Offerings *received in the plate as we enter church*
The Bible *brought in as symbol of God's Word among us*
Welcome & intimations

WORSHIPPING GOD TOGETHER

Choir ***This is The Day***
Minister: Come to the one who gives you life,
All: **We come before the living God.**
Come to the one who longs for you,
We will turn again and worship him.
Come to the one who forgives you,
Let us gladly praise his name.

419 **Love divine, all loves excelling**
Offering *brought forward during singing*
Prayer *including The Lord's prayer*
All-Age Time Home is where the heart is.
Song **Give me joy in my heart**
Youngsters may leave for activities

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Readings 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13
Luke 4: 21-30
348 **Praise the One who breaks the darkness**
Sermon *What's love got to do with it?*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

801 **Ubi caritas et amor**
(Where there is charity and love, God is there)
We remain seated to sing

Prayer *Gratitude & Concern*

622 **We sing a love that sets all people free**

Blessing All say **Amen**
All sing 786
May the God of peace go with us
as we travel from this place;
May the love of Jesus keep us
firm in hope and full of grace.

SHARING TOGETHER IN FELLOWSHIP

Refreshments Served in the hall after worship

A Prayer from Iona

O Christ, the master Carpenter,
Who at the last
Through wood and nails purchased our
whole salvation;
Wield well your tools in the workshop of your world,
So that we who come rough-hewn to your bench
May be fashioned to a truer beauty by your hand.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Jerimiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6,
1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

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