



**Free Church
of St Andrews**

Evening Service – 15th March 2026

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This evening Hamish Sneddon will speak on Isaiah 10:5–34.

Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and our strength,
in straits a present aid;
- 2 Therefore, although the earth remove,
we will not be afraid:

Though hills amidst the seas be cast;
- 3 Though waters roaring make,
And troubled be; yea, though the hills,
by swelling seas do shake.

9 Unto the ends of all the earth
wars into peace he turns:
The bow he breaks, the spear he cuts,
in fire the chariot burns.

10 Be still, and know that I am God;
among the heathen I
Will be exalted; I on earth
will be exalted high.

11 Our God, who is the LORD of hosts,
is still upon our side;
The God of Jacob our refuge
for ever will abide.

Who has held the oceans in his hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice,
all creation rises to rejoice.

*Behold our God seated on his throne;
come, let us adore him.*

*Behold our King – nothing can compare;
come, let us adore him.*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?
Behold our God...

Who has felt the nails upon his hands
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave;
Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign.
Behold our God...

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**Lord God, eternal and Almighty Father,
we confess and acknowledge that we are poor sinners,
prone to do what is evil,
and incapable of any good apart from your grace.
Have mercy upon us, gentle and merciful God,
in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
And fill us with your Holy Spirit,
so that we may abound in love more and more,
and be filled with the fruit of righteousness,
to your glory and praise. Amen.**

In Christ alone my hope is found;
he is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
the wrath of God was satisfied –
for every sin on him was laid:
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay:
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death;
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from his hand:
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Reading: Isaiah 10:5–19 (page 574)

Notices

The almighty and everywhere present power of God,
whereby, as it were by his hand,
he still upholds heaven, earth, and all creatures,
and so governs them that herbs and grass,
rain and drought, fruitful and barren years,
food and drink, health and sickness,
riches and poverty, yea, all things,
come not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

Heidelberg Catechism Q27 (adapted)

Prayer

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

*Christ alone, Cornerstone,
weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm, he is Lord,
Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide his face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.
Christ alone...

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne.
Christ alone...

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Reading and Sermon: Isaiah 10:20–34 (page 575)

Isaiah 10:5-34

Introduction: What do you say to a fearful people?

1) Be not afraid, for The Lord of hosts reigns even over enemies

- Assyria is God's agent

- Assyria is accountable to God

Implication: The King of all history

2) Be not afraid, for The Lord of hosts will preserve and save a faithful people

A saved people...

...purified through judgement...

...by the power of the Majestic One

Conclusion: "Take heart, for I have overcome the world

One with Christ

Chosen in your Son
Before you gave creation life
Forever loved
Treasured as your own
A precious child in your sight

*My soul is bound to Christ the Son
Now and forever we are one
The Father's love, the Spirit's life
Are lavished over me in Christ*

As He died
Hanging on a cross
I died in Him to all my sin
And then He rose
Now He is alive
And so am I alive in Him

My soul is bound...

*No condemnation now I dread
Jesus and all in Him is mine
Alive in Him my living Head
And clothed in righteousness divine*

Raised with Christ
Seated now on high
My life secure with Christ above
Not even death,
Sin or any pow'r
Could separate me from His love

My soul is bound...

No condemnation...

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Next week's services:

9:30 & 11:30am: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

6pm: Isaiah 11:1-12:6

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A Passion for Life Events

Did Darwin displace God? – Join us at 7:30pm on Wednesday 18th March at St Mark's Parish Church for an evening with Professor Richard Buggs, an evolutionary biologist, as he explains the scientific evidence for God and why evolution does not explain it away. His talk will be followed by a Q&A.

Guest Services

29th March 9:30 & 11:30am | Seeking Purpose 6pm | Seeking Freedom

5th April 9:30 & 11:30am | Seeking Hope 6pm | Seeking Security

Hope Explored – A three-week introduction to the Christian faith beginning on 13th April, exploring the topics of hope, peace and purpose in life. Click [here](#) to sign up and [here](#) for flyers of all these events to share with others.

- 1) During the week** – Thursday LifeGroups and Friday Fellowship continue as normal. There will be no Wednesday LifeGroups due to the event above. Email church@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk for more info about our weekly bible studies.
- 2) AGM** – Between the two morning services on 22nd March, we will hold our AGM at which the Church's 2025 accounts will be presented. The meeting will start at 11am and will last for around 15–20 minutes with the opportunity to ask questions.
- 3) Q&A** – Immediately following the evening service on 22nd March, bring your questions on our Isaiah sermon series or submit them [here](#).
- 4) 20s & 30s Social** – If you are in your 20s or 30s, you are invited to hang out at St Andrews Brew Co from 7pm on Monday 23rd March.
- 5) Good Friday Service** – 3pm on 3rd April in the Halls. We will take the Lord's Supper together during this service.
- 6) Baptisms** – We're planning a baptism service in the near future. If you haven't been baptised and would like to talk more about it, get in touch with Paul at paul@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk
- 7) Giving** – You can support the work of the church financially by electronic bank transfer, by contactless payment after the service or by clicking [here](#). Our bank details are – A/c name: St Andrews Free COS; S/c: 80-09-55; A/c no: 00295283. If you would wish to make a contribution towards the Assistant Minister fund, you are making a sizeable donation or you are eligible for Gift Aid, please email treasurer@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk