



**Free Church  
of St Andrews**

## **Morning Service – 19th April 2026**

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This morning Paul Clarke will speak on Joshua 2.

### **To God be the glory! Great things he has done!**

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!*

*Let the earth hear his voice.*

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!*

*Let the people rejoice.*

*Oh, come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory: great things he has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To every believer the promise of God:  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Praise the Lord!...*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son!

But purer and higher and greater will be  
our joy and our wonder when Jesus we see!

*Praise the Lord!...*

Frances Jane Crosby (1820–1915)

**Corporate Reading: Psalm 89:5–8**

**Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,  
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!  
For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?  
Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,  
a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones,  
and awesome above all who are around him?  
O Lord God of hosts,  
who is mighty as you are, O Lord,  
with your faithfulness all around you?**

**Psalm 51**

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| 1 | O my God, have mercy on me<br>in your steadfast love, I pray;<br>In your infinite compassion<br>my transgressions wipe away. | 7  | Cleanse with hyssop, purify me;<br>I'll be whiter than the snow.     |
| 2 | Cleanse me from iniquity;<br>wash my sin away from me.   | 8  | Let the bones you crushed be joyful;<br>may I joy and gladness know. |
| 3 | For I know my own transgressions;<br>I can see my sinful plight.   | 9  | From my failure hide your face;<br>blot out all my wickedness.       |
| 4 | You, you only, I've offended,<br>and done evil in your sight;<br>So your words are verified,<br>and your verdict justified.  | 10 | Lord, create a pure heart in me,<br>and a steadfast mind renew.      |
|   |  | 11 | Do not take your Spirit from me;<br>cast me not away from you.       |
|   |  | 12 | Give me back the joy I had;<br>keep my willing spirit glad.          |

**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...*

"Behold Our God" Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge  
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**Notices and Children Leave for Sunday School (9:30 service)**

**Prayer**

**The splendour of the King,**

clothed in majesty;

let all the earth rejoice,

all the earth rejoice.

He wraps himself in light

and darkness tries to hide,

and trembles at his voice,

and trembles at his voice.

*How great is our God,*

*sing with me: how great is our God.*

*And all will see how great, how great is our God.*

And age to age He stands,

and time is in His hands;

beginning and the end,

beginning and the end.

The Godhead, Three in One,

Father, Spirit, Son,

the Lion and the Lamb,

the Lion and the Lamb.

*How great is our God...*

Name above all names,

worthy of all praise;

my heart will sing:

how great is our God.

*How great is our God...*

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**Reading and Sermon: Joshua 2 (page 178)**

# Joshua 2

**Intro:** Is God worth serving?

## **1) God is so invincible that his enemies melt in fear before him**

See Exodus 15:11-16  
Mark 1:23  
Revelation 6:15ff.

## **2) God is so worthy that his people actively serve him**

i. Changing Sides

ii. A Changed Life (see James 2:14-26)

**Conclusion:** One of the family – see Matthew 1:5-6

**'Jesus is Lord' – the cry that echoes through creation:**  
resplendent pow'r, eternal Word, our Rock.  
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens,  
yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord – whose voice sustains the stars and planets,  
yet in his wisdom laid aside his crown.  
Jesus the man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,  
became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord – the tomb is gloriously empty!  
Not even death could crush this King of love!  
The price is paid, the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,  
and we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' – a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,  
as he returns, and every knee bows low.  
Then every eye and every heart will see his glory,  
the Judge of all will take his children home.

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*This evening's sermon passage is 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.*

**Next week's services:**

9:30 & 11:30am: Joshua 3-4

6pm: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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# Notices

- 1) Student Lunch: Is my view of church too small?** – After the 11:30 service today in the Halls.
- 2) Youth Group** – Meeting this afternoon from 3:30–5:30pm at John and Hilary's house. Contact [hilaryous95@gmail.com](mailto:hilaryous95@gmail.com) for more details, including the address.
- 3) Lord's Supper** – During this evening's service.
- 4) During the week** – LifeGroups and Friday Fellowship continue as usual this week. Evergreens returns on 28th April. Email [church@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk](mailto:church@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk) if you need the address or for more info about any of our weekly bible studies.
- 5) Baptisms** – During next Sunday evening's service, we will hear testimonies from those being baptised before walking to Castle Sands for the baptisms after the service.
- 6) Desserts & Discipleship** – For all women, join us at 7:15pm at 1 Dempster Terrace for sweet treats, discussion and prayer on Friday 1st May.
- 7) Elections** – All formal members are invited to vote in the current elder and property trustee elections. If you did not receive more information in the weekly email, send Stephen a message at [stephen@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk](mailto:stephen@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk) for more. The deadline for voting is 1st May.
- 8) 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](mailto:treasurer@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk)