



**Free Church
of St Andrews**

Morning Service – 9th August 2026

Welcome to St Andrews Free Church! This morning Paul Clarke will speak on Psalm 49.

**Who else commands all the hosts of heaven,
who else could make every king bow down,
who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a holy God.**

What other beauty demands such praises,
what other splendour outshines the sun,
what other majesty rules with justice?
Only a holy God.

*Come and behold Him,
the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy,
forever a holy God;
come and worship the holy God.*

What other glory consumes like fire,
what other power can raise the dead,
what other name remains undefeated?
Only a holy God.
Come and behold Him...

Who else could rescue me from my failing,
who else would offer His only Son,
who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a holy God.
Come and behold Him...

Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson
© 2016 CityAlight Music

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Q. Does Christ's death mean all our sins can be forgiven?

A. Yes, because Christ's death on the cross fully paid the penalty for our sin, God graciously imputes Christ's righteousness to us as if it were our own and will remember our sins no more.

– New City Catechism, Q.25

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

– 2 Corinthians 5:21

Psalm 130

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1 LORD, from the depths I call to you; | 5 I wait — my soul waits — for the LORD; |
| 2 Lord, hear me from on high | my hope is in his word. |
| And give attention to my voice | 6 More than the watchman waits for dawn |
| when I for mercy cry. | my soul waits for the Lord. |
| 3 LORD, in your presence who can stand, | 7 O Isr'el, put your hope in God, |
| if you our sins record? | for mercy is with him |
| 4 But yet forgiveness is with you, | 8 And full redemption. From their sins |
| that we may fear you, LORD. | his people he'll redeem. |

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his Word –
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!

Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same –
his holy name: the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!

Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his Word!

Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure:
tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

"Tell Out My Soul" Timothy Dudley-Smith
©1961 Dudley-Smith, Timothy

Notices and Children Leave for Sunday School

Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm 16

- 7 I'll praise the LORD my God,
whose counsel guides my choice;
And even in the night, my heart
recalls instruction's voice.
- 8 Before me constantly
I set the LORD alone.
Because he is at my right hand
I'll not be overthrown.
- 9 Therefore my heart is glad;
my tongue with joy will sing.
My body too will rest secure
in hope unwavering.
- 10 For you will not allow
my soul in death to stay,
Nor will you leave your Holy One
to see the tomb's decay.
- 11 You have made known to me
the path of life divine.
Bliss shall I know at your right hand;
joy from your face will shine.

Reading and Sermon: Psalm 49 (page 472)

Psalm 49

Intro: Wisdom for all the world

1) Don't let yourself be seduced by the foolish confidence of human wealth and glory

i) You cannot save yourself (verses 7–9)

ii) You will die (verses 10–14)

iii) You cannot take it with you (verses 10 & 16–20)

iv) You will not see light (verses 14 & 19)

2) Don't stop trusting in the Lord who has ransomed you and will receive you

i) God HAS ransomed you

ii) God WILL receive you

I once was lost in darkest night,
yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life
had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own
a rebel to your will.
And if you had not loved me first,
I would refuse you still.
Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

But as I ran my hell-bound race,
indifferent to the cost,
you looked upon my helpless state
and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed:
you suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me.
Now all I know is grace.
Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Now, Lord, I would be yours alone,
and live so all might see.
The strength to follow your commands
could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life
in any way you choose.
And let my song forever be
my only boast is you.
Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Jordan Kauflin
© Copyright 2008 Sovereign Grace Praise

This evening's sermon passage is Matthew 21:33-46.

Next week's services:

10:30am: Acts 2:22-41 (Family Guest Service)

6pm: Matthew 22:1-14

Website: www.standrewsfreechurch.co.uk

Senior Minister: Rev. Paul Clarke paul@standrewsfreechurch.co.uk

Charity Number: SCO45054 Songs reproduced under CCLI No. 1399599

Notices

1) Summer Sessions – There is One True God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Join us as we dig in to what the Bible says about this most foundational of truths, so that together we might know Him as He is in love and worship. Come to 1 Dempster Terrace from 7:15pm for a 7:30 start on Wednesday evening.

2) A Tale of Two Kings – Keep the St Andrews Churches Holiday Club in your prayers as it takes place this week.

3) Ladies' Summer Fellowship – All women in the church are invited to a relaxed time of coffee, chat and prayer at 10:30am on 14th August at 1 Trinity Place. Babies and toddlers are welcome. The next gathering will be on 28th August.

4) Family Guest Service – Join us for a guest service at 10:30 on 16th August, following on from the "Tale of Two Kings" Holiday Club. There will be a kids' talk, a special Sunday school focus that clearly explains the gospel and a sermon on Jesus' identity as God's True King from Acts 2. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and families, whether they've been to the holiday club or not.

5) Lord's Supper – During the evening service next Sunday.

6) An Evening with the Brashes – We will hear from our mission partners in Japan, the Brash family, on the evening of Wednesday 26th August. Come to 1 Dempster Terrace from 7:15pm for a 7:30 start.

7) Elder Induction – Chris McLean will be inducted as an elder during the morning service on 30th August. Keep Chris and his family in your prayers.

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