

Shotts Calderhead Erskine Parish Church

A registered Scottish Charity no: SC006538

3rd Sunday in Lent

7th March 2021

Praise, Prayer and Reflections

for you at home by Zoom at 11.00 & later on the web & YouTube



The heavens declare the glory of God...The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my rock and my Redeemer .- Psalm 19:1,7, 14

Joining, welcome and notices

Call to Worship:

Fairest Lord Jesus

Prayer of Approach from Psalm 19:

then Lord's Prayer (also said together)

Exodus 20: 1-17

The goodness of God's guidance for our Living ..

Prayer of Confession based on Ps. 19

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

A time for sharing

John 2: 13-22

Reflection: Christ reclaims His Temple...

You, who know the Lord is gracious

Prayers of Thanks & Prayers for ourselves & others

Benediction then shared blessing
May God's blessing surround you

- 1. Fairest Lord Jesus,**
Lord of all creation,
Jesus of God & man, the Son;
You will I cherish, You will I honour,
You are my soul's delight & crown.
- 2. Fair are the rivers, meadows & forests**
clothed in the fresh green robes of
spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
He makes the saddest heart to sing.
- 3. Fair is sunrise; starlight & moonlight**
spreading their glory across the sky;
Jesus shines brighter,

Jesus shines clearer
than all the heavenly host on high.

- 4. All fairest beauty, heavenly & earthly,**
Jesus, my Lord, in you I see;
none can be nearer, fairer or dearer
than You, my Saviour, are to me.

Father God, we thank You for Your
creation; we marvel at the stars and
moon by night.

**We delight in the sun & clouds by day.
Above all, we admire your wisdom.**

We thank You for giving us Your law
and instruction.

**Your advice lights our ways
.. and shines on our paths.**

Your law is perfect.

Perfect, Lord, for it revives the soul.

Your instructions are trustworthy, Lord.

Trustworthy, Lord,

.. and they make the simple wise.

Your standards are right;

Not only right, Lord,

.. but they give joy to our hearts.

Your commands are radiant

.. and they give light to our our eyes.

Your guidance is sure

... and it is altogether sound.

Your Law is more precious than gold;

...more precious than much pure gold.

Your law is sweeter than honey;

.. sweeter than the honeycomb.

Lord, you are our rock.

Lord, You are our rock

... and our redeemer.

1. Dear Lord and father of mankind,

.....forgive our foolish ways;
.....re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
.....in purer lives Thy service find,
.....in deeper reverence praise.

2. In simple trust like theirs who heard
....beside the Syrian sea,
... the gracious calling of the Lord,
... let us, like them, without a word,
.. rise up and follow Thee.

3. With that deep hush subduing all
.... our words and works that drown
.. the tender whisper of Thy call,
.. as noiseless let Thy blessing fall
.. as fell Thy manna down.

4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
... till all our strivings cease;
.. ; take from our souls, the strain and stress,
.. and let our ordered lives confess
... the beauty of Thy peace.

5. Breathe through the hearts of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind & fire,
O still small voice of calm.

Prayer of Confession

(based on Psalm. 19 and Exodus 20:1-17)

Please **all say words in bold**

Lord, nothing is hidden from You.
You have shown us what is right:
what is right in our words – to honour
your name and not to lie;
what is right in our actions – not to steal
or kill, not to disrespect our parents;
What is right in our thinking –
.. not to long for what others may have.
You have told us what we ought to do –
....for example, keep Your day special.
You have told us what not to do – for
example, take another person's partner
in marriage.

Forgive our faults.
Keep us from sinning.
Protect us from rebellion against You.
In the name of Jesus, take our sin
from us and make us new.
May the words of our mouths and the

thoughts of our hearts be pleasing in
Your sight, O Lord, our rock and our
redeemer. Amen

1. Ye that know the Lord is gracious,

Ye for whom a corner-stone
stands, of God elect & precious,
laid that we may build thereon,
see that on that sure foundation
Ye a living temple raise,
towers that may tell forth salvation,
walls that may re-echo praise.

2. Living stones, by God appointed
each to his allotted place,
kings and priests, by God anointed,
shall ye not declare His grace?
Ye, a royal generation,
tell the tidings of your birth,
tidings of a new creation
to an old & weary earth.

3. Tell the praise of Him who called
you out of darkness into light,
broke the fetters that enthralled you,
gave you freedom, peace & sight:
tell the tale of sins forgiven,
strength renewed & hope restored,
tell the earth, in tune with heaven,
praise & magnify the Lord!

C.A. Adlington from 1 Peter 2: 3-10

May God's blessing

surround you this day,
as you trust Him
& walk in His way.
May His presence within
guard & keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.