

*Shotts Calderhead Erskine Parish Church*

A registered Scottish Charity no: SC006538

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

11.00am at Shotts & 12.30pm at Allanton

& for those following 11.00 on Zoom & later on You-tube



*The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love*  
– Psalm 103: 8

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Prayer of Approach & –all say together  
Lord's Prayer

**Jeremiah 23: 1-6**

Break Thou the bread of life

**Mark 6: 30-46**

**Reflection: What it means for us  
.... to follow the Good Shepherd.**

CH 795 Take, O take me as I am

Prayer of Thanks & of asking for  
God's help

Brother, sister, let me serve you,

May God's blessing surround you

- 1. Dear Lord & Father** of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re-clothe us in our rightful mind;  
in purer live 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.** O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee

the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!

- 4.** With that deep hush subduing all  
our words & works that drown  
the tender whisper of Thy call,  
as noiseless let Thy blessing fall  
as fell thy manna down.
- 5.** Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls, the strain &  
stress, & let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of Thy peace.
- 6.** Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness & Thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake,  
wind & fire,  
O still small voice of calm!
- 1. Break Thou the bread of life,**  
dear Lord to me,  
as Thou didst break the bread  
beside the sea;  
beyond the sacred page  
I seek Thee, Lord;  
my spirit pants for Thee,  
Thou Living Word!
- 2.** Thou art the bread of life,  
O Lord, to me,  
Thy holy word the truth  
that saveth me;  
give me to eat and live  
with Thee above,  
teach me to love Thy truth,  
for Thou art love.

3. O send Thy Spirit, Lord,  
now unto me,  
that He may touch my eyes  
and make me see;  
show me the truth concealed  
within Thy word,  
and in Thy book revealed  
I see Thee, Lord.
4. Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord,  
now unto me,  
as Thou didst bless the loaves  
by Galilee;  
then shall all bondage cease,  
all fetters fall,  
and I shall find my peace,  
my all-in-all!

**Take, oh take me as I am;**  
Take, oh take me as I am;  
Summon out what I shall be;  
Set your seal upon my heart  
And live in me.

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6. Brother, sister, let me serve you,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

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**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.

1. **Brother, Sister, let me serve you**  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other,  
walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.