

## St Andrew's and St George's West Parish Church

Sunday 5 November 2023 10:30



### Gathering music

#### Opening Sentences:

Leader Come, let us return to the Lord.  
All **For it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;  
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.**  
Leader Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord.  
All **His appearing is as sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us, like the showers,  
like the spring rains that water the earth.**  
*(Words from Hosea 6)*

**HYMN 424** *Blest be the everlasting God*

### Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

### Sharing the Peace

**HYMN 741** *Glory to you, O God*

#### Reading: **Ephesians 1: 1-14**

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus:  
2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in  
Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 just as he chose us in

Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. 5 He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight 9 he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. 11 In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, 12 so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; 14 this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

**Anthem** There's a wideness in God's mercy Music: Maurice Bevan

**Reading: Matthew 28: 16-20**

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

**HYMN 590** *Holy Spirit, gift bestower*

**Reflection**

**HYMN 252** *As a fire is meant for burning*

**Prayers of the People**

**HYMN 740** *For all the saints, who from their labours rest* (verses 1 to 4 & verse 7)

**Sending and Blessing**

Worship leader: Rev Gordon Jamieson

Reader: Charles Bergius

Prayers of the People: Don Ferguson

Organist: David Stewart

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