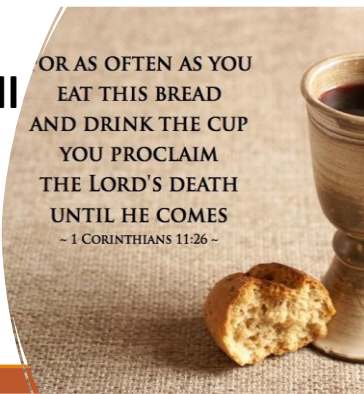


St Nicholas
Church, Sighthill

Holy
Communion

30 Oct 2022

FOR AS OFTEN AS YOU
EAT THIS BREAD
AND DRINK THE CUP
YOU PROCLAIM
THE LORD'S DEATH
UNTIL HE COMES
- 1 CORINTHIANS 11:26 -



CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader: We are created in
relationship and for
relationship**

**All: We are created for
community**

**Leader: God knew it was
not right for us to be alone**

**All: We are created for
community**

**Leader: Through Jesus
Christ, God entered into a
human relationship with us**

**All: We are created for
community**

**Leader: We rejoice in our
unity with all humanity**

**All: We are created for
community**

**Leader: We grow and deeper
in our knowledge and love of
God, closer in fellowship and
wider as we share the Good
News of Jesus Christ with
everyone in our community**

**All: We, the congregation
of St Nicholas, Sighthill
Parish Church of Scotland,
are created for community**

**Praise:
O Praise
ye the Lord
Praise Him
in the Heights**



**1. O praise ye the Lord
Praise Him in the height
Rejoice in His word
Ye angels of light
Ye heavens adore Him
By whom ye were made
And worship before Him
In brightness arrayed**

**2. O praise ye the Lord
Praise Him upon earth
In tuneful accord
Ye sons of new birth
Praise Him who hath brought you
His grace from above
Praise Him who hath taught you
To sing of His love**

**3. O praise ye the Lord
All things that give sound
Each jubilant chord
Re-echo around
Loud organs His glory
Forth tell in deep tone
And sweet harp the story
Of what He hath done**



OPENING PRAYER & Lord's Prayer

God-made-flesh, bone of our bone. We confess that we often think we can go it alone. We try to do it all. In doing so we neglect the gifts you have given us – the bone of our bone, the flesh of our flesh

the bodies you created and the relationships you created us for. Jesus Christ, you who lived in a human body, call us to community. Remind us that in you we are one and awaken in us the respect for one another


and celebrate with us the diversity within that community. May it be so now and forever, Amen.

Assurance of forgiveness

All: We are a divine creation. We were created to be a community. We are forgiven and called into a vibrant relationship with God and with one another

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our debtors
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory,
For ever. Amen Matthew 6: 9-13 (NKJV)**



Bible Reading and brief Reflection Acts 2:42-47

The Fellowship of the Believers

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts.

They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.



Holy Communion Invitation and Prayer

Welcome to our communion service. We hope that as you participate in it, you have a real sense of the presence of God, as we remember His death and resurrection – in bread and in wine. As we come to this table, let's be quiet for a moment and prepare our hearts.



Moment of Silence

All: We are the people of God. We are the body of Christ. We are scattered, and the body of Christ is broken, but as we gather, the body of Christ is re-membered. Together we gather in obedience

to Jesus' command, to remember, and to share together in breaking bread and drinking wine, in remembrance of the death of Christ. Each piece of bread that we eat was once scattered across

and the grain that God gave to grow has become for us the bread of life. Each sip of wine that we drink was once many vines, and the grapes in the fields, that God us gave to grow .

These have now become for us the new wine of God's kingdom. In our communion with one another, we are fed with the bread of heaven that sustains us, and we drink the wine of gladness that brings us joy.

PRAISE:

What a Friend we have in Jesus



**1. What a friend we have in Jesus
All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in pray'r
Oh what peace we often forfeit
Oh what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in pray'r**



FINAL BLESSINGS

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all now and forever, Amen.