



# Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Pentecost 21  
Sunday 29 October 2017  
6:00 p.m.



## Remembrance Service

You are very welcome to Ferryhill Parish Church for this year's Remembrance Service. Please sit wherever you like in the Memorial Chapel on the left as you enter the sanctuary.

At the end of the service you will have an opportunity to see the Remembrance Book if you wish.

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## Call to Worship

Based on John 1:1-4

**Leader:** In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.  
He was in the beginning with God.  
All things came into being through him,  
and without him not one thing came into being.  
What has come into being in him was life,  
and the life was the light of all people.

**All:** **The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness did not overcome it.**

## Praise

O come, O come, Emmanuel

CH 273

*Words: 18th century, translated John Mason Neale*

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel  
and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel.*
2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might,  
who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,  
in ancient times did'st give the law,  
in cloud, and majesty and awe. *Rejoice!...*
3. O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free  
thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
from depths of hell thy people save,  
and give them victory o'er the grave: *Rejoice!...*
4. O come, thou Key of David, come  
and open wide our heavenly home;  
make safe the way that leads on high,  
and close the path to misery: *Rejoice!...*

5. O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer  
our spirits by thine advent here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
and death's dark shadows put to flight: *Rejoice!...*

## Opening Prayer

### Reading

Based on John 1:6-8

**Leader:** There was a man sent from God,  
whose name was John.  
He came as a witness to testify to the light,  
so that all might believe through him.  
He himself was not the light,  
but he came to testify to the light.

**All:** **The true light, which enlightens everyone,  
was coming into the world.**

## Sharing Stars

### Song

Circles

*by Greta Svabo Bech and Ludovico Einaudi*

The light has fallen from the stars  
Now we are sinking through the night  
Out of sight we're falling underground  
Pick up the pieces left of us

If you can see me running up to you  
You know, I've been running in circles 'round you  
If you could turn the hours back in time  
You know, I'd be running in circles for you

We're burning out, we're burning down  
We're the ashes on the ground  
We're burning out, we're burning down  
We've fallen underground

## Reading

Based on Psalm 22

**Leader:** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from helping me,  
from the words of my groaning?

**All:** **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.**

**Leader:** In you our ancestors trusted;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.

**All:** **To you they cried, and were saved;  
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.**

**Leader:** Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
On you I was cast from my birth,  
and since my mother bore me  
you have been my God.

**All:** **Do not be far from me,  
for trouble is near  
and there is no one to help.**

**Leader:** For you, O God, did not despise or abhor  
the affliction of the afflicted;

**All:** **you did not hide your face from me,  
but heard when I cried to you.**

## Remembering Friends

### Song

Breathe me

*by Sia Furler*

Ouch, I have lost myself again  
Lost myself and I am nowhere to be found  
Yeah, I think that I might break  
Lost myself again and I feel unsafe

Be my friend, hold me, wrap me up, unfold me  
I am small, I'm needy, warm me up and breathe me

## Reading

Based on Isaiah 40

Leader: Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.  
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,  
and cry to her that she has served her term,  
that her penalty is paid.

**All: A voice cries out:  
'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight in the desert  
a highway for our God.'**

Leader: Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.  
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

**All: A voice says, 'Cry out!'  
And I said, 'What shall I cry?'**

Leader: All people are grass,  
their constancy is like the flower of the field.  
The grass withers, the flower fades,  
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;  
surely the people are grass.  
The grass withers, the flower fades;  
but the word of our God will stand for ever.

## Remembering Family

### Song

Joanne  
*by Lady Gaga*

Take my hand, stay Joanne  
Heaven's not ready for you  
Every part of my aching heart  
Needs you more than the angels do

## Reading

Based on Isaiah 40

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

**All: He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord  
shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.**

## Praise

From the falter of breath

CH 730

*Words: John L. Bell and Graham Maule*

1. From the falter of breath,  
through the silence of death,  
to the wonder that's breaking beyond;  
God has woven a way  
unapparent by day,  
for all whom heaven is fond.
2. From frustration and pain,  
through hope hard to sustain,  
to the wholeness here promised, there known;  
Christ has gone where we fear  
and has vowed to be near  
on the journey we make on our own.
3. From the dimming of light,  
through the darkness of night,  
to the glory of goodness above;  
God the Spirit is sent

to ensure heaven's intent  
is embraced and completed in love.

4. From today till we die,  
through questioning why,  
to the place from which time and tide flow;  
angels tread on our dreams,  
and magnificent themes  
of heaven's promise are echoed below.

## Act of Remembrance

### Song

#### Supermarket Flowers

*by Ed Sheeran*

I hope that I see the world as you did cause I know  
A life with love is a life that's been lived

So I'll sing Hallelujah

You were an angel in the shape of my mum

When I fell down you'd be there holding me up

Spread your wings as you go

And when God takes you back we'll say Hallelujah

You're home

## Litany of Names

### Praise

God be in my head

CH 538

*Words: Book of Hours, 1514*

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at mine end, and at my departing.

## Reflection

### Prayer



## Lord's 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 the wrong we have done,  
as we forgive those who have wronged us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Praise

Rejoice in God's saints

CH 742

*Words: Frederick Pratt Green*

1. Rejoice in God's saints today and all days!  
A world without saints forgets how to praise.  
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,  
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.
2. Some march with events to turn them God's way;  
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;  
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood;  
our world is their parish: their purpose is God.
3. Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,  
who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:  
they share our complaining, our comfort, our cares:  
what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!
4. Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!  
A world without Saints forgets how to praise.  
In loving, in living, they prove it is true:  
their way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

## Sending

**May we go with God's blessing,  
remembering what has been  
and who we have loved,  
and striving forward for what is yet to be  
in the name of Jesus, the light bearer. Amen.**