

St John the Evangelist

Scottish Episcopal Church, Jedburgh A community of welcome in the Borders

20th October 2024 Pentecost 22

10.00 EUCHARIST Celebrant: **Revd. Andi Hofbauer**

Hymn 476	Ye servants of God
	PREPARATION (page 1, blue service book)
Collect	Almighty and merciful God: in your goodness keep from us all that is harmful; that, being ready both in body and soul, we may freely accomplish your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen
	LITURGY OF THE WORD (page 4, blue service book)
Reading:	Isaiah 53:4 – 12 (p. 710, pew Bible)
Psalm 91	The Lord shall give his angels charge over you
Hymn 419	O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace
Gospel:	Mark 10:35 – 45
Sermon, Cree	d, Intercessions, Peace

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT (page 7, blue service book)

At Communion: there is hand gel on the way to the altar rail for those who wish to handle the chalice themselves. Please do not intinct (dip your wafer in the wine).

Prayer afterWe use prayer (b) on page 30:Communion**"Father of all, we give you thanks ...**

Hymn Glory to God, the Source of all our mission

- Glory to God, the Source of all our mission; Jesus be praised, the Saviour, Lord and Son! Praise to the Spirit who confirms the vision; in all the world the will of God be done!
- Proud in our wealth, or destitute and broken, we cannot live by earthly bread alone; but by the word that God himself has spoken we are set free to make our Master known.
- Eastward or westward, northward, southward moving, finding new fields, new patterns and new role, Christ's fellow-workers, all his goodness proving, see how our God is making people whole!
- 4 Linked by the cross at which we are forgiven, joined by the love that came to find and save, one in the hope of God's new earth and heaven, we love and give since he first loved and gave.
- 5 Send us, Lord Christ, to serve at your direction, dying and living, yours in loss and gain, true to the Gospel of your resurrection, working and praying till you come to reign.

Words: Christopher Idle

We pray especially today for Grace Lancaster and Linda Grant

Dear Friends and people of God,

While I still ponder what and how to preach on Sunday, I want to share a simple poem reflection I found as part of my preparation, reading around and praying. It is published as part of an on-line poetry collection: 'A poetic kind of place. Andrew King's Lectionary Weblog', and used with permission.

NOT TO BE SERVED BUT TO SERVE

(Mark 10: 35-45)

Is that you, Lord,

changing the diaper in the nursing home, holding the spoon for the woman in her wheelchair, wiping down the toilet and the floor;

is that you serving the dinner at the homeless shelter, sorting the cans at the food bank, mowing the aged neighbour's lawn;

is that you, Lord, bandaging the wounds of the bomb victim, erecting the tent for the refugees, handing out the water and the food;

is that you driving the patient to the treatment centre, sitting through the night with the family, making the call to the forgotten friend; is that you, Lord, lighting the candle in the darkness, keeping vigil for compassion and justice, loving in us and through us and with us

until the world that you love has been changed?

With all my love and prayers: Andi

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Coming up:

Vestry meets on 23rd October at 7.00pm.

All Souls Eucharist on Saturday 2nd November at 10.00am: please write on the sheet at the back of church the names of those you would wish to be remembered at that service.

Advent Study Group starts on Thursday 28th November after midweek communion (for four weekly sessions).

Advent Carol Service at Holy Trinity, Melrose on Sunday 1st November.

AGM after Eucharist on Sunday 15th December.

Christmas Carol Service (to be confirmed) on Sunday 22nd December, in the afternoon.

