# Scottish Episcopal Church

# DIOCESE of St ANDREWS, DUNKELD and DUNBLANE

St Ninian's Cathedral, Perth



# The Consecration and Installation of The Reverend Canon Ian Paton as Bishop of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane

by

The Most Reverend Mark Strange Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church

Saturday, 20th October 2018 at 12.00

Welcome to St Ninian's Cathedral to the Consecration of the Revd Canon Ian Paton as Bishop of the Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane. We extend an especially warm welcome to the Most Revd Mark Strange, Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, who will preside over the Ordination, to the College of Bishops, and to the Right Revd Richard Holloway, who will preach.

We also warmly welcome the family of Bishop-Elect Ian, his friends, the choir and congregation from Old St Paul's Church, and former colleagues from the Diocese of Edinburgh. A warm welcome is also extended to all civic guests from Perthshire, Stirlingshire and Fife, to bishops, clergy and lay readers from the Scottish Episcopal Church, the Anglican Communion and the Porvöo Communion of Anglicans and Lutherans, and to ecumenical guests from other Churches in Scotland and beyond.

After the new Bishop is Ordained and Installed, there will be a celebration of the Eucharist. Baptised members of all churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion, and all are welcome to receive a Blessing at the altar. A sidesperson will direct you to the appropriate station to receive Communion. If you require a gluten free host, please inform the sides-person.

After the service we will continue the celebration with sparkling wine (with or without alcohol) served at the West end of the Cathedral and in the Chapter House.

Our thanks to all those who have enabled today's celebration, including: Primus, Bishop Mark Strange and his Chaplain, Canon Mel Langille; Preacher, Bishop Richard Holloway; Provost of the Cathedral, the Very Revd Hunter Farquharson; Dean of the Diocese, the Very Revd Kenny Rathband; acting Director of Music of the Cathedral, Geoff Bolton and Director of Music of Old St Paul's, Dr John Kitchen; Choirs of the Cathedral and of Old St Paul's; Deacon and Subdeacon for the service, the Revd Carol Latimer and Lay Reader Ian Scott; Catering Team of the Cathedral and the Cathedral congregation; Bishop Ian's Chaplain for the service, Canon Carrie Applegath; Bishop's Secretary, Carol Aitchison; and John Ferguson-Smith.

We would respectfully ask that all mobile phones are switched off or turned to silent before the service starts. An official photographer will be working and we have been asked **not** to take photographs during the service. There will be an opportunity to do so afterwards.

Procession of Visiting and Diocesan Clergy (we remain SEATED)

Welcome by the Provost of St Ninian's Cathedral.

**Introit** (sung by the Choirs of St Ninian's Cathedral and Old St Paul's, Edinburgh)

O Radiant Dawn, Splendour of eternal Light,
Sun of Justice:
come, shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death.
Isaiah had prophesied,
'The people who walked in darkness have seen the great light;
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone.'
Amen.

(James MacMillan)

We STAND for the Entrance Hymn, and the entrance of the Choir, the Bishop-Elect, the College of Bishops and the Primus.

The pastoral staff of the Bishops of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane is placed on the Altar.

## Entrance Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation; Come ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near; Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth; Hast thou not seen all that is needful hath been Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; Ponder anew all the Almighty can do, He who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the Amen sound from his people again, Gladly for ay we adore him.

(J.Neander, t. Lobe den Herren)

#### THE LITURGY OF PREPARATION

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Gloria in Excelsis (sung by the Choir)

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good-will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Silence.

Almighty and everliving God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all members of your holy Church; that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your Name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

We SIT for the Reading and Psalm.

# Reading

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

(2 *Corinthians* 5. 14-17)

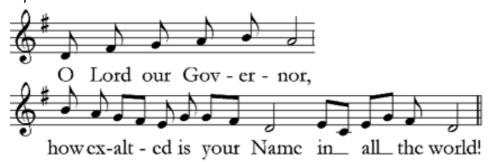
The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silence.

#### Response:



O Lord our Governor, \*
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children \*
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

Response.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \* the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, What are mortals that you should be mindful of them? \* mere human beings that you should seek them out?

\*\*Response.\*

You have made them but little lower than the angels; \* you adorn them with glory and honour; You give them mastery over the works of your hands; \* you put all things under their feet.

Response.

We STAND for the Gospel Acclamation and the Gospel Reading.

## Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord said to Simon Peter, 'Do you love me?'
And he said to him, 'Lord, you know that I love you.'
Alleluia, alleluia.

#### The Gospel

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

(John 21:15-22)

At that time, when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt offended because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.'(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, 'Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?' When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, 'Lord, what about him?' Jesus said to him, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel. **Praise to Christ our Lord.** 

We SIT.

#### Sermon

The Right Reverend Dr Richard Holloway

#### Anthem

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

(from Song of Songs; music by William Walton)

#### THE LITURGY OF ORDINATION

#### Presentation of the Bishop-Elect

We STAND.

The Bishop-Elect is presented to the Primus by the Provost, a representative of the Laity of the Diocese and a member of the College of Bishops.

Most Reverend Father in God, we present to you the Reverend Canon Ian Paton. After prayer for the guidance of God's Holy Spirit and due process of enquiry, in accordance with the Canons of this Church, those who are qualified to make election have chosen Ian to be Bishop of the Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, believing him to be the right and fit person for the exercise of that office. Therefore we ask you to ordain Ian to serve in the Order of Bishops.

## Response of the Primus

We SIT.

The Church is the People of God, the Body of Christ and the dwelling of the Holy Spirit. It is built upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.

In baptism every disciple is called to make Jesus known as Saviour and Lord and to share his work in renewing the world. Some by ordination are given particular tasks.

Bishops follow in the succession of the apostles whom Christ sent to proclaim the Gospel to the world and to bear authority in the community of faith. With their fellow Bishops they oversee and care for the universal Church. As people under authority they must be attentive to the Holy Spirit who leads us into all the truth; called into the fellowship of Christ's disciples, they must seek God's will.

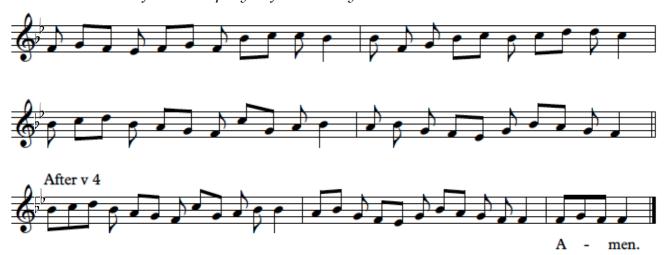
Within the diocese the Bishop ordains and sends out new ministers, guides and serves the priests and deacons who share in the Bishop's responsibility to nurture the community of the baptised.

There is one Lord, by whose authority Bishops teach and enable others to bear witness, so that God's Word may enlighten the people of God and heal the nations.

There is one Shepherd, at whose call Bishops seek to know his flock and be known by them.

There is one great High Priest of the new covenant, in whose name Bishops preside over the church's offering and call all to be of one mind and purpose, that in unity they may present to God a single, holy, living sacrifice.

We KNEEL or sit for silent prayer, followed by



Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, And lighten with celestial fire; Thou the anointing spirit art, Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessèd unction from above Is comfort, life and fire of love; Enable with perpetual light The dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soilèd face With the abundance of thy grace: Keep far our foes, give peace at home; Where thou art Guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son, And thee, of Both, to be but One; That through the ages all along This may be our endless song,

Praise to thine eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## **Declaration of the Bishop-Elect**

We SIT.

The Bishop-Elect stands before the Primus.

Ian, before you are admitted to the Order of Bishops, you must publicly declare that you intend to fulfil the duties of that office as the Church requires. I therefore ask you:

Do you trust that you are truly called by God to the office and work of a bishop in the Church? *I do.* 

Will you be a diligent minister of the Word of God, proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Christian faith and upholding catholic doctrine founded on the Scriptures?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you, as chief priest and pastor, encourage and support all the baptised in their gifts and ministries, nourish them out of the riches of God's grace, pray for them and celebrate with them the sacraments of our redemption?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you be merciful to all, show compassion to the poor and strangers and defend those who have no helper?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you devote yourself to prayer, to reading the Holy Scriptures and to all studies that will increase your faith and deepen your understanding of the truth?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you, in all your dealings with others, in the life of the Church and in your home, seek to show an example of obedience to the way of Christ? *By the help of God, I will.* 

May the Lord who has called you to this work, and given you the will to undertake it, also give you grace to perform it.

Amen.

#### **Assent of the People**

We STAND.

Do you, the people of God in this diocese, trust that Ian is truly called by God to be your Bishop? **We do.** 

## Calling of the Bishop-Elect

Ian, in the name of the Holy Spirit and the Church of Christ we call you to serve as Bishop of this diocese.

Do you accept this call?

I do.

We KNEEL or sit as the Bishop-Elect kneels.

The ordaining bishops gather around the Bishop-Elect.

## The Prayer of the People



God the Father,

R. have mer- cy on us.

God the Son, R.

God the Holy Spirit, R.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, R.



By the greatness of your love,

R. good Lord, de-liver us.

By your coming in the flesh, R.

By your dying for your people, R.

By your rising to new life, R.

By your gift of the Spirit, **R**.



By the prayers of the whole company of Heaven,

draw us to your-self.

As you called Mary to be the Mother of the Lord,

sanc-ti-fy our wills.

As you were glorified in Ninian, bringer of good tidings,

light - en our darkness.

As you empowered Columba, apostle of our land,

streng-then our weakness.

As you received the worship of Kentigern, Mungo the loved one,

deep - en our love.

As you advanced your kingdom through the work of Margaret, Mother and Queen,



Guide and protect your Church, fill us with love and truth and grant us that unity which is your will.

## Lord, hear our prayer.

Make us bold to preach the Gospel in all the world and to make disciples of all the nations.

R. Enlighten your ministers with understanding

and bless Ian now to be made bishop. R. May he be an instrument of your peace,

a proclaimer of your truth, a bearer of your love. R.

May all your people hear and receive your word and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. R.

Uphold the weak, raise up those who fall

and strengthen us all by your power. R.

Thanks and glory be to you, O holy Trinity, for calling us to your service. to a heritage so great, a life so rich, a salvation so dearly bought.



#### The Primus continues:

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you call us in your mercy; you sustain us by your power. Through every generation, your Wisdom supplies our need. From the beginning you chose the people of Abraham, raised up rulers and priests, and never left the sanctuary of your covenant without its servants. In the fullness of time, you founded your Church by the word of your grace, choosing in Christ, before the world was made, those whose lives would proclaim your glory. You have chosen Ian, your servant, to be a bishop in the Church.

The Primus and other bishops lay hands upon the Bishop-Elect:

Pour now upon Ian your power, the Spirit who leads and guides, the Spirit you gave through your beloved Son to the apostles to build the living sanctuary of the new covenant.

Grant Ian authority to shepherd your flock; in the name of Christ the one High Priest to offer the gifts of your holy church; to forgive sins as you command, to order ministries as you direct, and, by that power which you gave to your apostles, to loose the bonds of wickedness and let the oppressed go free.

Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory, honour and power are yours, now and for ever.

#### Amen.

The Primus anoints the new Bishop on forehead and hands with the Oil of Chrism:

God the Father, who anointed his Son by the Holy Spirit, has called you to share in his royal priesthood; sanctify his people, show them Christ, the Living Way, and feed them with Christ, the Bread of Life.

#### Amen.

#### Giving of the Symbols

The Bishop is vested according to custom, and is given Ring, Cross, Mitre, Bible and Pastoral Staff:

Be a faithful steward of the mysteries of God. Teach God's truth, declare his judgements Care for the flock of Christ. Bring all together in love.

We remain SEATED for the Hymn.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

(Richard A. M. Gillard)

## Seating of the Bishop

*The Provost places the Bishop in the* Cathedra (the Seat of the Bishop):

In the name of God,
I welcome you, Ian, as Bishop of this Diocese,
and place you in the episcopal Seat
of this Cathedral Church of Saint Ninian.
May the Lord guard your going out and your coming in,
now and always.

Amen.

The Dean and others pray for the new Bishop and the Diocese:

Holy God, bless us and our new Bishop.
Bless Ian with wisdom, love and courage for his service.
Bless us with faith, trust and energy for our part with him.
Bless the world we serve with hope, justice and peace.
Show us what your Church can be:
a sign of care,
an agent of change,
a messenger of good news;
we ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Provost continues:

Bishop Ian, may God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, guide you and uphold you from this day forward with grace and love. **Amen.** 

We STAND.

The Bishop leads the proclamation of the faith of the Church:

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one substance with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and was made human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Bishop and Provost return to the Nave.

The Provost presents the Bishop to the people:

Brothers and sisters in Christ, I present to you Ian, duly ordained and installed as our Bishop.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

# Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

We meet in Christ's name.

Let us share his peace.

The Bishop greets the other members of the Order of Bishops, and we are invited to greet each other.

#### Taking of the Bread and the Wine

The collection is for the Scottish Episcopal Institute Training Fund, which supports full-time students in training for ministry.

## Offertory Hymn

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice: him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed; without our aid he did us make: we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his Name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good, his mercy is for ever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore, from mortals and the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

#### We STAND.

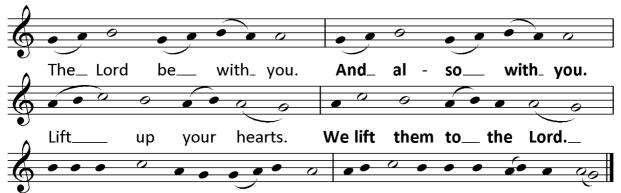
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made: it will become for us the bread of life.

#### Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands; it will become the cup of our salvation.

#### Blessed be God for ever.

## The Great Thanksgiving



Let us give thanks to the Lord\_our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Father, in every place and at all times, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who, coming among us as one who serves, taught us that the greatest in your kingdom are those who make themselves least and the servants of all.

Through your Holy Spirit you bestow upon your people a rich diversity of gifts and ministries, and from this royal priesthood you raise up men and women to proclaim your word, to care for your people and to be stewards of the mysteries of Christ. You call them to serve the world your Son redeemed and build up his body, the Church, to the greater glory of your name.

As children of your redeeming purpose we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:



(St Anne Mass, James MacMillan)

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for the gift of your Son born in human flesh.

He is the Word existing beyond time, both source and final purpose, bringing to wholeness all that is made.

Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross.

By your power you raised him from the dead.

He broke the bonds of evil and set your people free to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death, knowing that his hour had come, having loved his own, he loved them to the end. At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.

Amen.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

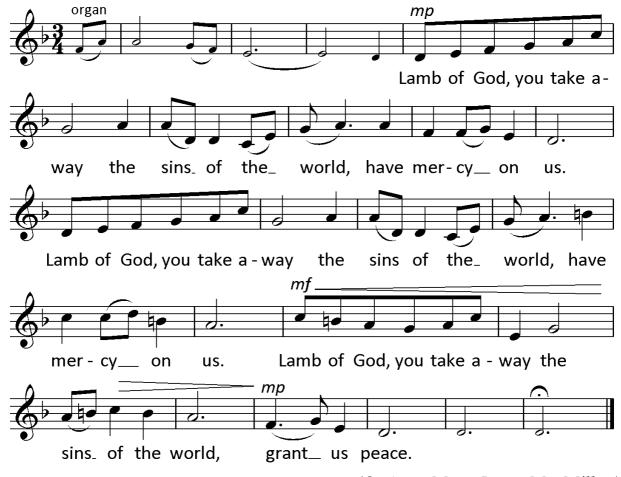
The living bread is broken for the life of the world. Lord, unite us in this sign.

We KNEEL or sit.

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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 our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory,
are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.



(St Anne Mass, James MacMillan)

## **Holy Communion**

Baptised members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion, and all are welcome to receive a Blessing at the altar.

# During Communion:

Hymn (we remain SEATED)

Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest, beneath thy contemplation sink heart and voice opprest. I know not, O I know not what social joys are there, what radiancy of glory, what light beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Sion, conjubilant with song, and bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng; the Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene, the pastures of the blessèd are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David, and there, from care released, the song of them that triumph, the shout of them that feast; and they who, with their Leader, have conquered in the fight, for ever and for ever are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessèd country, shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessèd country, shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part; his only, his for ever, thou shalt be, and thou art!

(Bernard of Cluny, 12th c., t. Ewing, A. Ewing)

#### Anthem

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain, Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom they had slain, Thinking that never he would wake again, Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain,
Quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Thy touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts, that dead and bare have been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

(trad., arr. J. Kitchen)

## Hymn (we remain SEATED)

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in his justice, Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in Heaven; There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgement given.

For the love of God is broader Than the measure of our mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify his strictness With a zeal he will not own.

There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, We should take him at his word; And our lives would be all gladness In the joy of Christ our Lord.

(F.W. Faber, t. Corvedale, Maurice Bevan (b. 1921)

#### Thanksgiving after Communion

We STAND.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious **And his mercy endures forever.** 

Father, your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son. May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Hymn

God is Love: let heav'n adore him; God is Love: let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him, and exalt him with one voice. He who laid the earth's foundation, he who spread the heav'ns above, he who breathes through all creation, he is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth every child of every race.

And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that self-same aching deep within the heart of God.

God is Love: and though with blindness sin afflicts the souls of all,
God's eternal loving-kindness holds and guides us when we fall.
Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;
God is Love, so Love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

(Timothy Rees, t. Hyfrydol)

#### THE LITURGY OF BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

## **Blessing**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Blessed be name of the Lord.

Both now and for ever.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

The maker of heaven and earth.

Go forth into the world in peace; may you be a hill on the land; may you be an island in the sea; may you be a star in the dark; may you be a staff and a friend to the weak and the poor, that in blessing them you also may be blessed by God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.** 

#### **Organ Voluntary**

Transports de joie d'une âme devant la gloire du Christ qui est la sienne ('Ecstasy of a soul before the glory of Christ, which is its own glory') from *L'Ascension*, Olivier Messiaen

## **About Bishop-Elect Ian Paton**

Ian Paton has been Rector of Old St Paul's, Edinburgh since 1997, and also honorary Anglican Chaplain to Edinburgh University, Canon of St Mary's Cathedral, and Associate Tutor at the Scottish Episcopal Institute. He was previously a rector in East Lothian, Vice-Provost of St Mary's Cathedral, a university chaplain in Oxford, a bishop's chaplain, and a curate in Reading. Ian is a former Convener of the provincial Liturgy Committee, involved in writing new services for the Scottish Episcopal Church, and for many years has taught Liturgy to students training for ministry.

He believes that the Church should be open and inclusive, inviting people of all ages, backgrounds, abilities, and lifestyles, into the community of faith to encounter God's presence in worship and to express God's love in service.

Ian enjoys reading and writing poetry, modern and classical art, going to the theatre, learning more about Scottish history, art and literature, French culture and life, and has a life-long love of the sea. Ian and his wife, Carrie (who is also a priest) have, between them, four adult children, and Ian has extended family in Perth and Fife.

# Diocesan Choral Evensong St Ninian's Cathedral, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 4.30 pm.

This is an opportunity for everyone throughout the Diocese to worship together as to welcome Bishop Ian. The service is open to all members of congregations in the Diocese who would like to attend.

Ever since this burden, for which I must render difficult accounting, has been placed on my shoulders, the concern of my position as bishop has disturbed me. Although I am terrified by what I am for you, I am consoled by what I am with you. For you, I am a bishop; with you, I am a Christian. The former is a title of office, which has been undertaken; the latter a title of grace. The first is a danger, the second salvation. Furthermore, we are tossed about as though in a great ocean by the tempest of our responsibilities. However, when we recall by whose blood we have been redeemed, it is as though we enter into a safe harbour. It consoles me more that I have been redeemed with you than that I have been placed over you.

St Augustine (354-430), Bishop of Hippo