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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

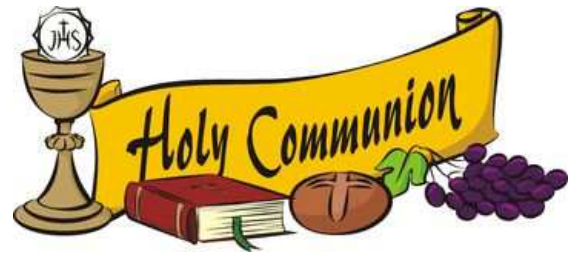
*"To glorify God...to proclaim
Christ...to serve others"*

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP
OF GOD

9.30 am

Rev Benjamin JA Abeledo

Sunday 4 March 2018



A Meal with Friends

The Rogers family is assisting us today

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*"We are not once a week friends
We are the family of God*

*We are not a cosy club
We are the body of Christ*

*We are not just strangers meeting
We are temples of the Holy Spirit*

*We are not here by accident
Our Father has called us to worship*

*We are not just filling up an hour
Jesus wants us to know him better*

*We are not just going through the motions
The Holy Spirit has some special words for us*

*So, come; draw near to our God
And God will draw near to us."*

HYMN 162 (MP) From Heaven You Came

Tune: The Servant King

From heaven you came, helpless babe,
Entered our world, your glory veiled;
Not to be served but to serve,
And give your life that we might live.

***This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow him,
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King.***

There in the garden of tears,
My heavy load he chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.

Chorus

Come, see his hands and his feet,
The scars that speak of sacrifice,
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered.

Chorus

So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone him;
Each other's needs to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving.

Chorus

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PRAYER

READING

John 6 v 51-58 page 125 NT

Lorna Rogers

TALK

A Meal with Friends

**HYMN 1157
(MP)**

Behold the Lamb

Tune:

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us - and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.

***So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.***

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.

So we share...

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.

So we share...

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.

***As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King***

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**OFFERING
PRAYER**

HYMN 99 Come on and Celebrate

Tune:

(MP)

Come on and celebrate
His gift of love, we will celebrate
The Son of God who loved us
And gave us life.

We'll shout Your praise, O King,
You give us joy nothing else can bring,
We'll give to You our offering
In celebration praise.

***Come on and celebrate celebrate
Celebrate and sing;
Celebrate and sing; to the King.
Come on and celebrate celebrate
Celebrate and sing;
Celebrate and sing; to the King.***

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THE BLESSING

Director of Music – Donald Cameron

Coffee, tea, juice and biscuits will be served in the Hall immediately after this service – a very warm welcome to all, particularly any visitors who are also invited to sign the visitors' book in the front vestibule of the Church