

AYR ST COLUMBA CHURCH
Sunday 6 June 2021

Service of Holy Communion



Love (III)

Love bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back,
 Guilty of dust and sin.
But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack
 From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning
 If I lacked anything.

A guest, I answered, worthy to be here:
 Love said, you shall be he.
I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear,
 I cannot look on thee.

Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,
 Who made the eyes but I?

Truth Lord; but I have marred them; let my shame
 Go where it doth deserve.
And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame?
 My dear, then I will serve.
You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat.
 So I did sit and eat.

*George Herbert (1593 – 1633)
Priest and Poet*

*Organ Voluntary
The Bible, God's Word for life, is placed in the pulpit by the Beadle.*

Welcome & Announcements
Preparatory Silence

Call to Worship

Hymn 510 Jesus calls us here to meet him *(t. Blaenwern CH4 468)*

Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to each other,
vastly different though we are;
creed and colour, class and gender
neither limit nor debar.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.

Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
where the Church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Absolution and Supplication

Lesson Psalm 138

Reflection

Musical Interlude Chorale prelude on "Look upon us, blessed Lord"
BWV 633 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn King of glory, King of peace *(t Gwalchmai)*

King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
And, that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou didst clear me,
And alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enrol thee;
E'en eternity's too short
To extol thee.

George Herbert (1593 – 1633)

BENEDICTION

Postlude Prelude to the Te Deum *Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)*