

PRESBYTERY OF ABERDEEN



INDUCTION

of

The Rev. Shuna M Dicks

**to the charge of
Cults**

Thursday January 25th 2018

**Moderator: The Rev Keith Blackwood
Leader of Worship: The Rev Susan Sutherland
Preacher: The Rev Maggie Whyte
Presbytery Clerk: The Rev Dr John Ferguson**

The Congregation is asked to stand for the entrance of Presbytery

Moderator's Greetings

The Rev Keith Blackwood

Call to Worship

The Rev Susan Sutherland

Hymn

1. God, we praise you. God, we bless you.
God, we name you sovereign Lord.
Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father, by your church adored:
all creation shows your glory,
heaven and earth draw near your throne
singing 'Holy, holy, holy,
Lord of hosts and God alone!'
2. True apostles, faithful prophets,
saints who set their world ablaze,
martyrs, once unknown, unheeded,
join one growing song of praise,
while your Church on earth confesses
one majestic Trinity:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God, our hope eternally.
3. Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
everlasting Son of God,
humble was your virgin mother,
hard the lonely path you trod:
by your cross is sin defeated,
hell confronted face to face,
heaven opened to believers,
sinners justified by grace.
4. Christ, at God's right hand victorious,
you will judge the world you made;
Lord, in mercy help your servants
for whose freedom you have paid:
raise us up from dust to glory,
guard us from all sin today;
King enthroned above all praises,
save your people, God, we pray.

Prayers of Praise, Confession and Supplication

The Rev Susan Sutherland

Scripture Readings: Read by Members of Cults Parish Church

Isaiah 42:1-4

Matthew 28:16-20

Acts 18: 18-19, 24-28

Graeme Robertson

Irene Paterson

Bruce McKenzie

Choir: - “Lord Your Love for Me”

Words and melody - David Johnstone

Arrangement - Emily Anderson

Violin - Susan Simpson

Hymn

1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love ;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord ;
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
*Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console ;
to be understood as to understand ;
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*
2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope ;
where there is darkness, only light ;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive ;
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Sebastian Temple (1928–1997) from the *Prayer of St Francis*. *Reproduced from CH4*

Sermon

The Rev Maggie Whyte

The Apostles' Creed

(all stand and remain standing for hymn which follows)

I believe in God the Father Almighty
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried,
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead,
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the
Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of
the body and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Hymn

1. Jesus Christ is waiting,
waiting in the streets ;
no one is his neighbour,
all alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I am lonely too :
make me, friend or stranger,
fit to wait on you.
2. Jesus Christ is raging,
raging in the streets,
where injustice spirals
and real hope retreats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I am angry too :
in the Kingdom's causes
let me rage with you.
3. Jesus Christ is healing,
healing in the streets,
curing those who suffer,
touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus,

I have pity too :
let my care be active,
healing, just like you.

4. Jesus Christ is dancing,
dancing in the streets,
where each sign of hatred
he, with love, defeats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I should triumph too :
where good conquers evil
let me dance with you.

5. Jesus Christ is calling,
calling in the streets,
'Who will join my journey ?
I will guide their feet.'
Listen, Lord Jesus,
let my fears be few :
walk one step before me,
I will follow you.

John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958) *Reproduced from CH4*

Narrative

The Rev Dr John Ferguson

Formal Preamble and Questions to Minister

Signing of the Formula

Act of Induction

The Lord's Prayer

Declaration, Blessing & Right Hand of Fellowship

Presentation of the Call

Questions to Congregation

Do you, the members and friends of this congregation, in receiving Shuna Dicks whom you have called to be your minister, offer her your welcome and promise her your encouragement and support?

We do.

Do you each now agree to share with her the responsibility for Christian witness and Christian service?

We do.

And will you give of your time, talents and money for the work of the Church in the world?

We will.

Signs of Shared Ministry

A Bible is presented to the Minister by Peter Michie

Member: It is through scripture that we are called to be Christ's body. Teach us the faith so that we may be true to the Gospel.

Minister: Together may we listen for the Word of God.

Congregation: In our words and in our lives may we declare the Good News to all people.

The Water of Baptism is brought forward by Fraser Stone

Member: The water of Baptism is a sign of God's Holy Spirit. May the Spirit move among us so we can do God's work.

Minister: Together may we live out our baptism as a loving community in Christ.

Congregation: May we nurture one another in faith, uphold one another in prayer, and encourage one another in service.

A communion cup is brought forward by Maxwell Fawcett

Member: In celebrating Holy Communion, we know Christ present among us. Gather us round the Table that we may be united as his Body.

Minister: Together may we celebrate the Meal of the Kingdom.

Congregation: We shall always be ready to meet Christ in this place and show in our lives the promise of His reconciliation.

Charges to the Minister and Congregation

The Rev Keith Blackwood

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Rev Susan Sutherland

Hymn

1. You are called to tell the story,
passing words of life along,
then to blend your voice with others,
as you sing the sacred song.
Christ be known in all our singing,
filling all with songs of love.
2. You are called to teach the rhythm
of the dance that never ends,
then to move within the circle,
hand in hand with strangers, friends.
Christ be known in all our dancing,
touching all with hands of love.
3. You are called to set the table,
blessing bread as Jesus blessed,
then to come with thirst and hunger,
needing care like all the rest,
Christ be known in all our sharing,
feeding all with signs of love.
4. May the One whose love is broader
than the measure of all space
give us words to sing the story,
move among us in this place.
Christ be known in all our living,
filling all with gifts of love.

Ruth C. Duck (b. 1947). *Reproduced from CH4*

Benediction and Threefold Amen.

***The congregation is asked to remain standing as Presbytery retires
from the church***

Thank you for coming to celebrate the beginning of a new ministry in Cults. At the conclusion of the service everyone is invited to the Kirk Centre for light refreshments following which the congregation will formally 'Welcome' Shuna and thank our Interim Moderator, the Rev Kenneth Petrie.

Welcome *Graeme Robertson*

Chairman's Remarks *Kenneth Petrie*

Prayer *Kenneth Petrie*

Tea Served in the Outreach Centre

Welcome to Shuna *Graeme Robertson*

Presentation to Shuna *Irene Paterson*

Musical Item

Shuna takes the chair and replies

Guest Speaker *John Gold*

Presentation to Kenneth *Ann Middleton*

Musical Item – Singing Waiters

Vote of Thanks *Walter Scott*

Closing Devotions *Shuna Dicks*