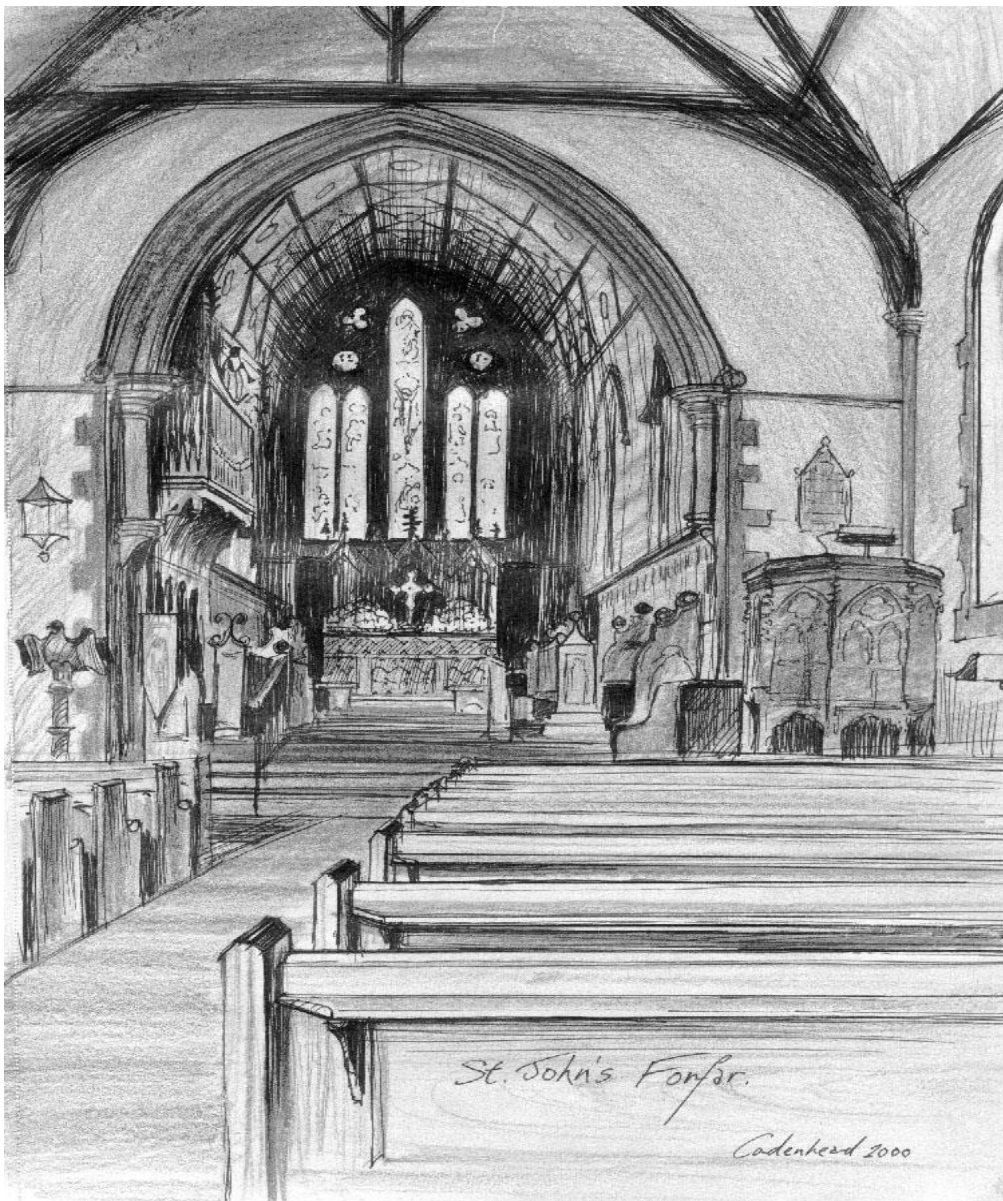


St John the Evangelist

Forfar

Communion from the Reserved Sacrament



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Please join with all the words in **bold**.

PREPARATION

Introit

Music played on the organ

Welcome

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

Collect for Purity

**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.**

Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God first loved us.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.
We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

May God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
(with God the Son, Jesus Christ,
and God the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings *(At the end the reader may say)*

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel

When it is announced:
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

At end:
Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Homily

Music for reflection

Nicene Creed

**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
in accordance with the Scriptures;
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,
who with the Father and the Son, is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Peace (*Please stand*)

We meet in Christ's name
Let us share his peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Prayer of Preparation for Communion

In fellowship with the whole Church of God,
with all who have been brought together by the Holy Spirit
to worship on this day, and who have celebrated the Eucharist,
let us rejoice that we are called to be part of the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one Bread.

Thanksgiving Prayer

God of all love
we draw near with awe and reverence
to the mystery of our Saviour's Body
and Blood.

R. Lord have mercy

May we commemorate his passion
and recall his resurrection
with pure hearts and unclouded faith.

R. Lord have mercy

For our sake he took body and soul,
human, mortal, tried and tempted as we are,
and by his preaching of the kingdom
called us to the knowledge of your truth.

R. Lord have mercy

When he had fulfilled all your mind
he was lifted up upon the cross,
and rose from the dead,
and was taken up into heaven
to be the first-fruits of our human nature,
the author and perfecter of faith.

R. Lord have mercy

Now he calls us to his table
to become partakers of his grace.

R. Lord have mercy

With a humble will and with
overflowing love may we receive
your gift of everlasting life.

R. Lord have mercy

With pure prayer and abundant hope
may we leave with you those things
that are past and devote ourselves
afresh to your service.

R. Lord have mercy

Grant us to receive the Holy One
and to be hallowed by the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Grant us to share in the peace of Christ
through the sacrament of peace.

Amen.

May this holy communion bring us
to new life in your kingdom
and unite us with all your Saints.

Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.**

Communion Song

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

Communion

Behold the lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world,
blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

As those in St John's take communion you are invited to pray this prayer at home:

**God of unending love, you are present to us in Word and Sacrament.
With all around the world who gather to worship,
I offer you my praise and thanksgiving;
and though I cannot eat the bread of God,
or drink the royal wine of heaven,
I pray that I may know the fountain of your love
pouring upon me and your Incarnate presence
encompassing me behind and before,
that through the power of your Spirit,
I may rejoice in the sure hope
that I abide in your wondrous love now and for all eternity,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Sentence

An appropriate seasonal sentence may be used

We give thanks to you Lord,
For you are gracious:
And your mercy endures for ever.

Prayer

**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 *A hymn is played on the organ*

Blessing

The Lord bless us and keep us.
The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us.
The Lord lift us his countenance upon us and give us peace.
Amen.

Doxology

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or conceive,
by the power which is at work among us, to him be glory in the church
and in Christ Jesus from generation to generation for evermore.
Amen.

Dismissal

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