

St. Nicholas Buccleuch Parish Church  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Order of Service

*Preparing for Worship*

*Please take a moment to read over the Order of Service printed below.  
Hymn books are available in each seat. As we prepare to worship Almighty God,  
read through the hymns, particularly any which may be unfamiliar to you. They have  
been carefully chosen to help us to experience the glory and majesty of God and to  
reflect upon the theme of the service.*

*You are invited to join in saying in unison the items printed in **bold italics**.  
If you are comfortable doing so,  
please stand for the items marked with an asterisk (\*).*

GATHERING

**Organ prelude**

*\*The Bible is carried into Church.*

**\*Greeting**

Minister: The Lord be with you.  
All: ***And also with you.***

**\*Call to Worship**

**\*Praise:** Hymn 474 Hail to the Lord's Anointed  
*(Tune: Menville)*

**Welcome**

APPROACH

**Scripture Sentence**

**Prayer for the Day**

THE WORD OF GOD

**The Story for the Day**

**\*Praise:** Hymn 559 There is a Redeemer  
*(Tune: by Melody Green (b. 1946))*

*Activities for children have been arranged. This would be an appropriate point  
in the service for any children wishing to participate to go out with the  
Children's work leaders, returning to the church just after the sermon.*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Reading:** Isaiah 49: 1-7 (p. )

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 (p. )

**Gospel Reading:** John 1: 29-42 (p. )

*At the conclusion of the Readings:*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: ***Thanks be to God.***

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Call to Confession**

**Prayers of Approach, Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**\*Praise:** Hymn 31 I waited patiently for God  
(Tune: I waited patiently for God)

## Sermon

## Time for Reflection

### RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (unison)

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*

*Amen.*

## Prayers of Intercession

**\*Praise:** Hymn 509 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult  
(Tune: St Andrew)

## Offering

### Doxology

*As the offering is brought forward to be placed on the communion table, we stay seated and sing:*

(Tune: Old 124th)

*Praise ye the Lord, ye servants of the Lord:  
praise ye his name; his lordly honour sing:*

*thee we adore; to thee glad homage bring;  
thee we acknowledge; God to be adored  
for thy great glory, Sovereign, Lord and King.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

**The Lord's Prayer** (unison)

*Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.*

*Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.*

*And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil:*

*For thine is the Kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever.*

*Amen.*

## Intimations

**\*Praise:** Hymn 130 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim  
(Tune: Laudate Dominum)

### CHARGE AND BLESSING

**\*Charge**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Threefold Sung Amen** (unison)

## Organ Voluntary

*If you have found this service meaningful, encouraging or enjoyable, tell someone about it and invite them to come with you next Sunday.*