PARISH OF WEST MORAY – ST LEONARD'S, FORRES – SUNDAY – 7TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn - MP 20 - All people that on Earth do dwell

- All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
 Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell; come ye before Him and rejoice.
 - 2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed: without our aid He did us make: we are His folk, He doth us feed; and for His sheep He doth us take.
- O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto; praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do.
 - For why? The Lord our God is good;
 His mercy is for ever sure;
 His truth at all times firmly stood,
 and shall from age to age endure..

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Reading: Jeremiah 18: 1 - 11 - 1This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 2 "Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message." ³ So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. 4 But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him. ⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me. ⁶ He said, "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel. 7 If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, 8 and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. 9 And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, 10 and if it does evil in my sight and does not obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. ¹¹ "Now therefore say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem, 'This is what the Lord says: Look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions.'

Hymn - MP 784 - Ye servants of God

- 1. Ye servants of God, Your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name; the name all-victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.
- 2. God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still He is nigh, His presence we have; the great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

- 3. 'Salvation to God who sits on the throne', let all cry aloud, and honour the Son: the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.
- 4. Then let us adore, and give Him His right all glory and power, all wisdom and might: all honour and blessing, with angels above; and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love

Sermon

Hymn - MP 730 - We have heard a joyful sound

We have heard a joyful sound:
 Jesus saves!
 Spread the gladness all around:
 Jesus saves!
 Bear the news to every land,
climb the steeps and cross the waves;
 Onward! 'tis our Lord's command:
 Jesus saves!

2. Sing above the battle's strife:
 Jesus saves!

By his death and endless life,
 Jesus saves!

Sing it softly through the gloom,
when the heart for mercy craves;
sing in triumph o'er the tomb:
 Jesus saves!

3. Give the winds a mighty voice:
 Jesus saves!
 Let the nations now rejoice:
 Jesus saves!
 Shout salvation full and free
to every strand that ocean laves this our song of victory:
 Jesus saves!

Prayers for Others

Hymn - MP 975 - Before the throne of God above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea, a great high Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in heaven He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, no tongue can bid me thence depart.

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- When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
 Because the sinless Saviour died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, to look on Him and pardon me.
- 3. Behold Him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness; the great unchangeable I am, the King of glory and of grace! One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased with His blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Saviour and my God, with Christ my Saviour and my God.

Benediction & Amen