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All are invited to receive communion, we have an open altar here. If you prefer you may come forward for a blessing from the Priest. We welcome all visitors and invite you to sign the visitor's book and then join us for coffee in the Parish Room after the service.

Sunday 14th January Epiphany 2

10.00am	Reserved Sacrament
6.30pm	Evensong

Today's Readings 1 Samuel **3** v 1-10
 1 Corinthians **6** v 12-20

Today's Gospel John **1** v 43-51

Today's Readers Joan Marsden
 Fiona Gordon
 Daphne Stevens

Readings for 21st January Epiphany 3

Jonah **3** v 1-5,10
1 Corinthians **7** v 29-31
Mark **1** v 14-20

For your diary

Next Vestry meeting 14th March at 7.30pm

Afternoon Communion

1st Wednesday in the month at 2.30pm followed by afternoon tea.

Evensong

Second Sunday in the month at 6.30pm

Diocesan cycle of Prayer

In the Diocesan cycle we pray for the congregation of St John, Rothiemurchas; St Columba, Grantown Richard Gillings, Jenny Jones, Alison Hart, Tony Sparham.

Saturday February 3rd in the OneTouch Theatre of Eden Court

Calum Stewart will be performing he will be playing on Uilleann Pipes and Whistles music from his new album, **Tales from the North**, along with Yann on Double Bass and Ronan on Cittern. You may recognise some of the other musicians. Calum will be supported by a group of even younger musicians, The Arc Fiddlers taught by Mhairi Marwick, so it should be a great evening all round!

Tickets are £8.50 for those under 26, £12 for over 60s and the unwaged, £14 for everyone else! Tickets are available from Eden Court Box Office or online. Hurry though, as they are going fast, and the One Touch Theatre is a small venue!

First Reading 1 Samuel 3 v 1–10

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

The boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’ and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’

So he went and lay down.

The LORD called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’

But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’

Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’

Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.”’

So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 139 v 1–5, 12–17

Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen

Second 1 Corinthians 6 v 12–20

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, ‘All things are lawful for me,’ but not all things are beneficial. ‘All things are lawful for me,’ but I will not be dominated by anything. ‘Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,’ and God will destroy both one and the other.

The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never!

Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, ‘The two shall be one flesh.’ But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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