# Cullen and Deskford Parish Church A welcoming, open and inclusive church community

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#### Auld Kirk 10 30am

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You, then, why do you judge your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God's judgement seat.

**Romans 14:10** 

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 25th September 2016

## When I do good, I feel good. When I do bad, I feel bad. That's my religion.

Abraham Lincoln

#### **Choir Introit:**

The Bible is carried in signalling that our act of worship has begun

Words of Welcome and Our Call to Worship

**Hymn:** 153 Great is thy faithfulness

**Sharing of News and Announcements** 

Hymn: 103 Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

**Prayers of Approach, Thanksgiving and Confession** 

Listening for Words of Wisdom

Reading: Romans 14:1-11 (page 1140) - Reader Douglas

Hymn: 233 Come you thankful people come

Reflection: Stone soup

Hymn: 226 God, whose farm is all creation

Our Response to God's Call

Choir: The Harvest Hymn

Offering and Offertory Prayer

## A Time for Quiet Reflection and Prayer

Take time during this short period of silence to reflect on what God is saying to you and what you need to ask God

Our Prayers for Others and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 229 We plough the fields and scatter

## The Benediction and Dismissal

Please wait until the organist plays before standing to sing the following hymn:

(Please note this hymn is not announced)

Hymn: 789 Now go in peace

The Bible is taken out reminding us that our worship is over and our work begins

### WELCOME

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, in a partnership, divorced, widowed, gay, confused, filthy rich, comfortable, or dirt poor. We extend a special welcome to wailing weans and excited toddlers.

We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quitely to yourself. You're welcome here if 'you're just browsing,' just woken up or just got out of prison. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, or haven't been to church since Christmas twenty years ago.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet and teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, are down in the dumps or don't like 'organised' religion.' (We're not that keen on it either).

We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell or are here because you are at a loose end.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throat as children or got lost in the Square and wound up here by mistake. We welcome pilgrims, tourists, seekers, doubters . . . and you.

You are very welcome

## **Announcements and Information**

**Tea/Cofee** will be served after this service. Please join us if you are able.

**Today we will celebrate** our stewardship of God's earth. All produce and donations will be given to Moray Food Bank in Elgin.

£111.22 was raised for Leprosy Mission and so a special thank you to everyone who helped fill the blue tubs.

The Disasters will meet this afternoon at 3.00pm.

There will be a service at the Wakefield NH on Monday 26th September at 2.40pm — please note change of time.

**The Guild will resume on Thursday 6th October** in the Hall Church 7.30pm. The speaker will be the internationally renowned speaker the Rev. Douglas Stevenson, who is probably the most humble individual you could ever meet. New members welcome.

**The flowers on display today** were kindly gifted by Sheila Sellar. Next week they will be donated by Joyce Henderson.

**Keith & District Silver Band:** The band will be performing in the Hall Church on Friday 7th October at 7.00pm and we would appreciate if a few members could provide home-bakes for the tea. There is a list available if you can help, there will also be a raffle. All monies raised will go the auld kirk restoration fund.

**Newsletter deadline** will be 6th November. All articles should be submitted to Sheila Donn by this date.

**Moray Fresh Start** will accept donations of kitchen utensils, pots and pans, casserole dishes, cutlery, crockery eg. plates, cereal bowls, mugs, towels and tea towels, sheets, duvet covers, pillowcases, cot sheets, blankets and curtains. Items can be left at the hall church.

**The services** at both the Hall Church and the Auld Kirk are recorded and can be made avilable on CD for anyone who might be interested.