



Inverurie West Parish Church

Order of Service: Sunday 18 October 2026

Welcome to morning worship with Inverurie West Parish Church.
Whether you are joining us online or in-person; as a newcomer,
occasional visitor, or regular, we are delighted to have you with us.

This morning we look at the parable about the rich man and the beggar as
we think about how Jesus links following God's law with a critique of
wealth.

All welcome to stay for tea and coffee after the service

Welcome and notices

Call To Worship

LONGING FOR LIGHT, WE WAIT IN DARKNESS (CH4 543)

Opening Prayer (Including the Lord's prayer)

Our heavenly father

May your holy name be honoured

May your kingdom come

May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today what we really need

Forgive us the wrong we do

as we forgive those who wrong us

Lead us away from temptation

Keep us safe from evil

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever
Amen**

Intro to the word

Reading 1: Luke 16:13-18 read by Irene Jamieson

“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. He said to them, “You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God’s sight.

“The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John. Since that time, the good news of the kingdom of God is being preached, and everyone is forcing their way into it. It is easier for heaven and earth to disappear than for the least stroke of a pen to drop out of the Law.

“Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery, and the man who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Reflection part I

THE STARS DECLARE HIS GLORY (CH4 10)

Reading 2: Luke 16: 19-31

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

“The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send

Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'

"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'

"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'

"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'

"'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

"He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Reflection part 2

LORD, YOU HAVE COME TO THE SEASHORE (CH4 532)

Prayer

JESUS CHRIST IS WAITING (CH4 360)

Grace

Blessing

News

Communion - next Sunday (25th) we have our biannual full communion service at 11 am and our informal family communion service at 3pm. All welcome to either or both services.

Clocks - next weekend is also when the clocks go back an hour so do remember to re-set them on Saturday night or Sunday morning!

Kirk session - meets on Tuesday October 20th at 730 pm in the Acorn Centre.

Bible Study - our online zoom bible study group will resume again on Wednesday October 28 after the October holiday. Newcomers welcome anytime. Ours is a very relaxed group which always has great discussions.

Harvest offering - a total of £400 was raised to be divided between Christian Aid and RSABl. Thanks to all for their generosity.

Songs of praise style service - at St Andrew's on the evening of Sunday Nov 1 at 6 pm featuring the Kellands school choir. There will also be a time of reflection during the service to remember loved ones.

Yarn Group - meets in the gallery on Monday 26th October at 7pm

Yarn Group Christmas fair is on in the chapel on Saturday 14 November from 10 to 1 pm. Save the date!

Fundraising and Stewardship - Registering with the EasyFundraising website is an easy way to use your online shopping to raise a little money for the church. The site is partnered with over 4000 retailers including big names like Amazon, Tesco and Argos. You can begin by following this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/inverurie-west-parish-church>

Foodbank - We don't have a current wishlist from the Foodbank but regularly needed items include: Tinned spaghetti/macaroni, Tinned meat (hot or cold), Tinned vegetables, Tea bags (40s/80s, please), Tinned tomatoes, Small jars of coffee, Pot noodles/Mug Shots, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full cream)

Practical help - if you, or anyone you know need shopping, errands etc done, we have lots of volunteers keen to help. For assistance ring Joyce Petrie on 01467 620932 or email help@inveruriwestchurch.org

For prayer requests, joys and concerns, or content which you would like shared on Sunday, please email Rhona on r.cathcart@inveruriwestchurch.org by Saturday night, or you can text

her on her mobile.

If you wish to support the work of Inverurie West Church financially either with a one-off donation or via regular giving there are details of how to do so on our website at <https://www.inveruriwestchurch.org/giving/> You can also email our treasurer at treasurer@inveruriwestchurch.org

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