



Inverurie West Parish Church

Order of Service: Sunday 17 May 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 as part of our exploration of the early stages of Jesus' ministry in the gospel of Luke we will look and how and where Jesus called his disciples. We'll be asking the question, 'What should we do when people want to make faith and discipleship about institutions rather than about relationship?'

Welcome and notices

Sung Call To Worship (CH4 757)

**Come all ye people, come and praise your maker
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Come all ye people, come and praise your maker
Come now and worship the Lord**

LORD, THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE IS SHINING (CH4 448)

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

DO NOT BE AFRAID (CH4 191)

Reading 1: Luke 5: 1-11; 27-28; 6: 12-17 read by Linda Duncan

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. 2 He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. 3 He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

5 Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. 7 So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" 9 For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, 10 and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." 11 So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

27 After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. "Follow me," Jesus said to him, 28 and Levi got up, left everything and followed him.

12 One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. 13 When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: 14 Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, 15 Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor. 17 He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon

Reflection

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME (CH4 533)

Prayer

JESUS CHRIST IS WAITING (CH4 360)

Grace

Blessing

News

Pentecost - there will be an IDCT (Inverurie District Churches Together) evening service next Sunday 24th May at 630 in the Catholic Church hall on North Street to celebrate this festival together. All welcome.

Exploring membership - If you are curious about/interested in exploring becoming a West church member, this would be a good time to speak to Rhona as she's planning to offer a few sessions about this. Times/dates etc to be confirmed after chatting to those interested.

Bible study - our online zoom bible study continues on Wednesday at 730pm. Our May/June theme is horticultural as we look at a different biblical flower or plant each week. Each session will be stand alone so feel

free to come to any or all. If you've never tried bible study this might be your chance to give it a go! We hope to round things off before our July/August break with an in-person garden get together on one of our long Scottish summer evenings in June

July summer services - further to discussions held at session we hope to make our July services a bit different this year as we try out some different worship contexts and ideas. In aid of this we hope to involve a wider range of people (not just up front) in planning and delivering these four services. If you would be interested in being part of a team to work on this, please speak to Rhona.

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

