

**2nd September, 2018**  
**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

This morning's service is led by the  
Revd. Dr Walter Houston

Pulpit Elder: Linda Callear  
Crèche: Barbara Macmillan

Organist: Douglas Jones  
Flowers: Isabel Sandland

**Order of Service**

*Please stand when the Holy Bible is brought into Church,  
then sit for the Welcome and Notices.*

*Notices*

**The Call to Worship:**

**Minister:** The Lord be with you

**All:** And also with you

**Hymn:** R&S 285 – O for a thousand tongues to sing

**Prayer of approach and adoration**

**Introduction to the theme**

**Psalm 15** (translation by Walter Houston) said responsively

**LORD, who is allowed into your tent?**

**Who can live on your holy hill?**

Everyone who lives honestly,  
and does what is right.

**Everyone who means the truth when they speak,  
and never tells lies about other people.**

**They don't harm anyone else,  
or spread stories about their neighbours.**

They turn up their noses at mean people,  
but they respect those who honour God.

**When they make a promise which costs them,  
they don't try to get out of it.**

They don't lend in order to make money,  
and they won't take money to condemn an innocent person.

**Whoever lives like this is safe for ever.**

*The children leave for their own activities or crèche*

**The Old Testament reading:** Deuteronomy 4: 1-2 and 5-8

**The New Testament reading:** James 1: 19-27

**Hymn:** R&S 361 Come, Lord, to our souls come down

**Gospel reading:** Mark 7: 1-2, 5-15 and 21-23

**The Sermon : What does it mean to obey God**

**Hymn:** R&S 374 - O Christ, our Lord, we meet here as your people

*This hymn functions as a prayer of confession*

Declaration of forgiveness, with the response: **Thanks be to God**

**Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession,**

“Lord hear our prayer **And let our cry come to you.**”

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Anthem:** Fairest Lord Jesus (arr. Douglas Jones)

**The Offering** followed by the Doxology **(R&S 21)**

**Hymn:** R&S 521 -Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

Dismissal and blessing

Our organist Douglas Jones will play a voluntary

**Notices**

Next Sunday’s service, **9th September**, will be led by

**Mr James Greig**

**Dates for your diary:**

**September 3rd** Elders’ Meeting 6-9 p.m.

**September 11th** Community Choir restarts (10 a.m.- 12noon)

**September 16th** Harvest and Invitation Service.

Hunger lunch (Bread, cheese & water), retiring collection for Water Aid

**September 27th** Music in the Round’s “Ensemble 360”

Lunch time Concert in the Church 12.45-1.40p.m.

Please see Sheila Cooke for tickets.

**September 28th** Paul Blomfield MP will hold a Drop-in Cafe  
with afternoon tea, in St Andrew’s from 2-3 p.m.