

Dates for your diary

5th Pentecost 11 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

9th Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

12th Pentecost 12 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

15th – Alison's Homegroup.

16th Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

19th Pentecost 13 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

6.30pm. Songs of Praise.

23rd Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

26th Pentecost 14 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

28th Tuesday Vestry Meeting.

30th Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion at St. John's.

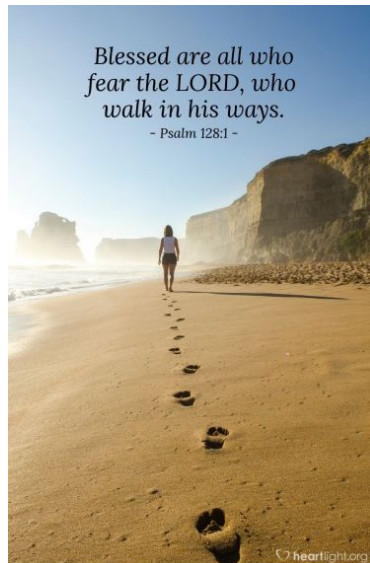
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Some reflections

*Ten little Christians standing in a line,
One disliked the preacher, then there were nine.
Nine little Christians stayed up very late,
One overslept on Sunday, then there were eight.
Eight little Christians on their way to heaven,
One took the low road and then there were seven.
Seven little Christians chirping like chicks,
One disliked the music, then there were six.
Six little Christians very much alive,
But one lost their interest and then there were five.
Five little Christians pulling for heaven's shore,
But one stopped to take a rest, and then there were four.
Four little Christians each busy as a bee,
One got their feelings hurt, and then there were three.
Three little Christians knew not what to do,
One joined the sports club, and then there were two.
Two little Christians, our rhyme is nearly done,
Differed with each other, and then there was none! Anon.*

In the last few weeks we've been focussing on ministry. Whilst the ditty above is amusing, there's also a grain of truth in it. We're a small church at St. John's and every person is vital to the health of the whole.

YOUR gifts and hugely valued and necessary – so please would you take some time to prayerfully fill in the ministry forms that were handed out last month, and leave them at the back of the church or hand them to a member of the clergy. If you've lost your form, then please let us know and we can give you a new one.

Fear not – it



doesn't mean you're

committing yourself to something harsh! It means that we can grow our church in the best possible way, using the gifts God has given to each one of us. *Jenny.*

A Prayer by John Wesley

(not easy to pray truthfully but life-changing if we can)

I am no longer my own, but Yours,
put me to what You will.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed for You, or laid aside for You.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things
to Your pleasure and disposal.
And now glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
You are mine and I am Yours.
So be it.
And this covenant now made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.



whaT's happeninG

Alison's Homegroup – August 15th



**Songs of Praise
Sunday August 19th
6.30pm**

Vestry Meeting – Tuesday 28th August.

**Jazz Mass – Come and sing from scratch.
Inverness Cathedral Saturday 26th August.
More details – office@invernesscathedral.org**

Looking ahead.

**Discovering New Hymns – Wednesday 12th
September 7.30pm at Ochilbrae.**

Doors Open Day - Saturday 22nd September 10 to 5.

Harvest – Sunday October 7th.