

Culbokie & Munloch. Order of Service, 12th July 2026

Gathering prayer

Life-giving God, we gather in Your presence,
To worship you, to offer thanksgiving and praise to you

For you have done great things for us.

Through the life, death and resurrection of Your Son,
Jesus Christ, we have been set free—
**free from the power of sin and death,
free to follow the leading of Your Holy Spirit,
free to love You with all our heart, mind, soul and strength,
free to worship!**

May Your Holy Spirit inspire our worship.

**Open our hearts and minds to Your presence
among us and within us,
and help us to receive the Word You have for us today.**

You alone, life-giving God, are worth of all praise and honour
So we give you all the glory, now and to the end of time. Amen.

Praise MP 575: Rejoice the Lord is King

Prayer

God the creator, we come here today in awe of you.
Overwhelmed by the wonder of your creation, we are inspired by
the mystery of life; amazed by the beauty of your world;
astonished that such a God would have anything to do with the
likes of us. So, we come before you in awestruck wonder,
humbled before your greatness, yet welcomed in your love.

God the Son, you have come amongst us in the person of Jesus;
walked our streets; lived our lives; you have blethered with
fishermen and tax collectors. So, we come to worship, with you
beside us, no longer remote and distant. We come, no longer in
fear and trembling, but sure of the warmth of the embrace of your

love, the smile of your acceptance, the touch of your forgiveness.
We dare to come close to you because you have come close to us.

God, the Spirit of Life, we are thankful for your constant presence;
for the healing of your love; for the challenge of your Word; for
the inspiration of your Gospel; for the community of your Church.
Renew us and refresh us; enable us and enliven us; challenge us
and change us; prompt us and improve us ... in our worship ... in
our mission ... and in our service in the name of God, Father, Son
and Holy Spirit, and all to your Glory Amen.

All-age talk

Praise MP 152: For the beauty of the earth

Rejoice – Psalm 65

Let us choose to rejoice in God's forgiveness joining with the
ancient praise of all God's people in the words of Psalm 65

What mighty praise, O God, belongs to you.

**We will fulfil our vows to you,
for you answer our prayers.**

All of us must come to you.

**Though we are overwhelmed by our sins,
you forgive them all.**

**What joy for those you choose to bring near,
those who live in your holy courts.**

What festivities await us inside your holy Temple.

Offering and Doxology CH4 807

Affirmation of faith, based on Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was God, he did not think of equality
with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his
divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and
was born as a human being.**

When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.

Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honour and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Readings

Song of Songs 3:1-5

Revelation 21:1-7

Praise MP51: Be thou my vision

Message: 'Christ-centred'

Praise MP 1076: Jesus be the centre

Prayer for others and The Lord's Prayer

Renewal of vows

Praise MP449: Love divine, all loves excelling

Blessing

Blessed be God the Father, who gives us the joy of marriage.

Blessed be the Lord Jesus Christ, who brings new life and purpose to the world.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit of God, who brings us together in love.

Blessed be the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
one God to be praised for ever.

Exit CH4 786: May the God of peace go with us