

Order of Service

Song: There is a fountain filled with blood

Prayer

Song: Rescue the perishing

Bible Reading: John 1:15-18 & Romans 6:8-14

Kids Talk

Sermon

Song: Take my life and let it be

- The missionary pilot who was kidnapped in late 2025 in Niger (a friend of the Wilkins family) has been released in good health.
- Psalm 29: *"The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty."* The LORD speaks powerfully and intelligently. Thank Him.
- The Bible tells says of Christians that we are one body joined together in Christ: "... just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ... If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together (1 Cor. 12:12 & 26)." God's wise design.

*Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, power
and praise.*

*Majesty, kingdom authority
flow from His throne unto His
own,
His anthem raise.*

*So exalt, lift up on high the Name
of Jesus.*

*Magnify, come glorify Christ
Jesus, the King.*

*Majesty, worship His majesty.
Jesus, who died, now glorified,
King of all kings.*

Walcha
Presbyterian
Church

to show God's love by word and deed

to encourage others to follow Him

God is our refuge and our
strength,
in strife a present aid;
therefore, although the
earth remove,
we will not be afraid.

Sunday 16 August 2026

Welcome and please join us for a cuppa after the service

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Notices

Membership- Membership is for professing Christians who are baptised. It is committing to a local church and requires a credible declaration of faith in Christ Jesus.

Baptism- After the Lord Jesus rose from the dead he commanded baptism (Matt. 28:19; also Acts 10:48).

Talk to Graham, Doug or Gordon

Wilkins family – There are prayer cards on the table. Please pray for Ben and Antonia Wilkins, with Theodore, Cedric, Jemima and Domonic.

Fifth Sunday – combined service with the Anglican Church on 30th August, at the Presbyterian Church. If you are able to help with morning tea then that would be appreciated. See Chris or Sam.

	Aug 16	Aug 23	Aug 30
Kids' Talk	Linda	Fiona	Alex
Door	Cameron	Val	Eamon
Morning Tea	Edith + Lorna	Judy + Sue	Chris + Sam

God's Word:

Aug 16 – Romans 6:12-14 (Sin shall not be your master!)

Aug 23 – Romans 6:15-18 (We are all slaves to someone)

Aug 30 – Romans 6:19-23 (Slaves to God)

Romans 6:12-14... Sin's spell is broken

Command: Do not live under sin's power (v.12)

- You are alive to God in Christ, therefore, do not let sin reign.

- But if I belong to Christ and His reign, then why do I still sin?*
William Gurnall (1616–1679): "A sheep may fall into a ditch, but it is the swine that wallows in it." The difference is the Shepherd.

And here I know God works within:

I start to find I hate my sin.

O Holy Spirit, You made me alive!

Against Old Man nature I will now strive.

Give to God all that you are (v.13)

- Verse 13 shows a contested battle.
- In Romans 3, Paul made a grotesque person with their body - mouth (v.13-14), feet (v.15-17) and eyes (v.18) – used for sin. But in Romans 6, we are to use all that we are for God!

Take my life, and let it be

consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my hands... Take my feet... Take my voice... Take my lips... Take my silver and my gold... Take my intellect... Take my will... Take my heart... Take my love... Take myself, and I will be, ever, only, all for thee.

- Four helpful points;
 - Every part of you is involved in the battle within.
 - Sanctification involves doing both the negatives ("Do not offer...") and the positives ("Do offer...")
 - Presenting ourselves to God is not a one-off moment, but a whole lifetime.
 - Give sin a name, and ask for the Lord's help.

A Christian is not under law, but under grace (v.14)

- Like train tracks, the law shows the way, but it gives no power to be holy. God's grace gives the power.

The power to move the train along,

is the gospel of grace to which I belong.

"Grace causes sin not to have power over you."

Augustine