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A freewill offering will be taken to help cover costs for this centenary. Any surplus funds will be given to mission work.

Please join us in the Balldale Rec Hall at the conclusion of this service for the cutting of the cake, speeches and afternoon tea.



A Special service to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of St Stephen's Presbyterian Church in Balldale



Special Guest Preacher: Rev. John Irvin 2.00pm - 8th April 2012

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Order Of Service

Psalm 100 - A Psalm of giving thanks.

"Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

Song Item - "Mighty Is The Cross"

Introduction & Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Thomas Wall

Hymn - "Praise My Soul The King of Heaven"

The first Bible reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-28

Hymn - "Lord Be My Vision"

History of the Balldale Church

Slideshow Presentation

Prayer

Mr. Neil Davis - Session Clerk

The second Bible reading

Philippians 2:5-11

Bible Message - Resurrection is everything Rev. John Irvin

Hymn - "When I survey the Wondrous Cross"

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us today
our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours
Now and forever - AMEN.

Hymn - "To God be the Glory"

Closing Words & Benediction

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:17-21

Bible Message

Rev. John Irvin

Resurrection is everything

Resurrection Era:	
Resurrection Event:	
Resurrection Experience:	

Philippians 2:5-11

5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: **6** Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, **7** but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. **8** And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! **9** Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, **10** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

1 Corinthians 15:1-28

1 Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. 2 By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. 6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. 9 For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. 11 Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed. 12 But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. 14 And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. 15 More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. 19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. 24 Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27 For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. 28 When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

- 1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, To his feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like me his praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King.
- 3. Father-like, he tends and spares us, Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes: Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as his mercy flows.
- 2. Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him still the same forever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless: Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Glorious in his faithfulness.
- 4. Frail as summers' flower we flourish, When the wind blows it is gone; but, while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on: Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the high eternal One.

5. Angels, help us to adore Him, you behold Him face to face; saints triumphant bow before Him, gathered in from every race. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace.

Lord Be My Vision

1. Lord, be my vision, supreme in my heart:

Bid every rival give way and depart: You my best thought in the day or the night,

Waking or sleeping, your presence my light.

3. Lord, be my breastplate, my sword for the fight,

Be my strong armour, for you are my might,

You are my shelter, You are my high tower:

Raise me to heaven, O Power of my power.

2. Lord, be my wisdom and be my true Word:

I ever with you and you with me, Lord:

You my great Father and I your true son:

You in me living and I with you one.

4. I heed no riches, nor man's empty praise,

You my inheritance, through all my days

All of your treasure to me you impart, High King of Heaven, the first in my heart.

5. High King of heaven, after victory won, Grant heaven's joy to me, bright heaven's Sun! Lord of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

- 1. When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 3. See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down!

When did such love and sorrow meet,

Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

- 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the cross of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,

That were an off'ring far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

To God be the Glory!

1. To God be the glory! Great things He has done; so loved He the world that He gave us His Son who yielded His life an atonement for sin and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice.
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
and give Him the glory, great things He has done.

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God.
The vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!....

3. Great things He has taught us, great things He has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!....