

## OAKSHAW ORACLE

A warm welcome to all visitors who are reading this online version of our worship. The video for today's service can be found on the church Web site and Facebook page.

The Anthem and Music for meditation have been chosen by our Choir Master David Murray. The anthem today is taken from a recording made of David Murray and Oakshaw Trinity Choir in 2000 and the Music for Meditation is 'Adagio in F' by Mozart.

The video is available on the website <http://www.oakshawtrinity.org.uk/music> (Music menu) and on the Facebook page [www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity](http://www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity).

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## OAKSHAW TRINITY CHURCH

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OAKSHAW ORACLE  
WELCOME  
CALL TO WORSHIP

**Hymn: No. 251**

**I, the Lord of sea and sky**

**PRAYER**

**Chosen Hymn: 530**

**One more step along the world I go**

**READING: Ephesians 6: 10-20**

*Reader: Catriona Muirhead*

**ANTHEM**

**I to the hills will lift mine eyes**

**READING: John 6: 56-69**

*Reader: Thomas Blane*

**Hymn: No. 123**

**God is love, let heaven adore him;**

**SERMON**

**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**Hymn: 644**

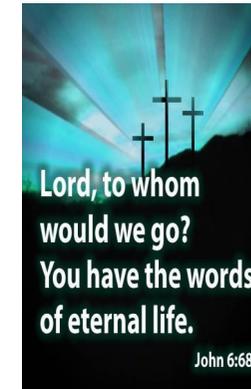
**O Jesus, I have promised**

**THE BENEDICTION & DRESDEN AMEN**

**SERMON NOTES**

***An Air Of Authority***

*In John's gospel, we have another moment of luminous insight. It was a time when Peter, Jesus' disciple, spoke more perceptively than he knew. "Will you also go away?" Jesus asked. It was in response to this question, and with an obvious awareness of the total situation, that Simon Peter*



*answered, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."*

*In that instant, Peter named his authority which comes with an authenticity that can be trusted. God's authority is not for the years of time alone, but for eternity. Jesus represents this dependability, this holiness for*

*our life now and our life to come. Jesus' authority can be totally trusted. It is valid for time and for eternity.*

*And finally, in all expressions it is utterly personal. Jesus' authority touches us where we are and as we are. Peter, made his happy confession that Jesus was Lord and Master – Judas went out and betrayed him. There is no middle ground – which do you choose?*

***PRAYER:*** *Lord God, thank you for your constant presence and help. Help us to encourage others so that they too can discover your love and grace...*



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### **TODAY:**

11a.m. Morning Worship conducted by Rev. Gordon Armstrong .



### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

11a.m. Morning Worship conducted by Rev. Gordon Armstrong. Booking in advance is not required, although we are still required to complete the Track & Trace Cards where you sit. The church is set out at one metre distancing and will change when distancing is removed.



Hymn 530 was chosen by Moira Ferguson. Moira has always loved this hymn, it reminds her that God is with us no matter where we are or whatever is happening in the world.

### **WEEKLY CHURCH OPENING:**

Rev. Gordon Armstrong and Rev. George Lind will be available in the Church on Tuesdays from 11am – 3pm. Prayers will be said on the hour.



### **SATURDAY CLUB:**

The Saturday Club now hold a time of 'Saturday Club From The Sofa.' This takes place on Facetime at 3pm on Saturdays. Please feel free to join in and keep us up to date with how you have been coping.



### **MISSION FUND—Return of Boxes:**



Boxes can be handed into the Church on Tuesdays between 11 and 3p.m. or any Sunday Service.

### **STAMP APPEAL:**

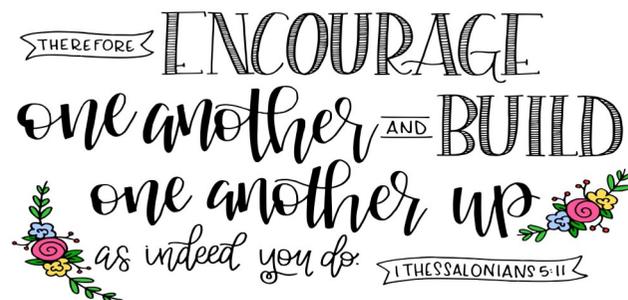
Barbara Copleton is still collecting used stamps for the Church of Scotland Appeal. Please help by saving your used stamps and passing them on to Barbara.



The Wynd can benefit from the charity awards from Amazon Go. To participate at no cost, go to [smile.amazon.co.uk](http://smile.amazon.co.uk) select your purchase and choose the Wynd Centre as your chosen charity.

### **ORGANISATIONS:**

Some organisations are beginning to start up again. Please look out for the notices and information that will come out directly from them as they will each be operating under slightly different conditions when back meeting face to face.



Details and lots of extra information about Church events can be found on the web Oakshaw Trinity Church: [www.oakshawtrinity.org](http://www.oakshawtrinity.org)  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity](http://www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity)

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So imagine you have just got your first skateboard and you are wondering what to do with it. You've seen the skateboarders at the park and on TV, and maybe on the Olympics, and you have seen all of the cool things they can do, but how do you get started?



First, before you try anything crazy, you need to get comfortable just standing on your board. It is best to start out on the grass or some carpet so that the board will not roll until you get the hang of it. After you get comfortable just standing on the board, you are ready to try some skating. Oh wait! Before you start you need to make sure have the right protective gear.

The first thing is to make sure you have the right kind of shoes. You wouldn't go skating in a pair of cowboy boots, would you? Your shoes should have a flat bottom

to help you get a better grip on the board. Next, every skateboarder should wear a helmet. You might think that wearing a helmet makes you look silly, but, believe me, it is the smart thing to do. Another thing you will need is pads. It is important to have pads to protect your elbows and knees. It might also be a good idea to wear braces on your wrists. Now that you have all the right gear, it is time to go skateboarding. Even professional skateboarders make sure they have the right protective equipment. Doesn't it make sense that you should use it too?



Just as we need protective gear in skateboarding, the Bible teaches us that we need protection in life. The Bible calls it the armour of God and it tells us that we need the armour of God to protect us from Satan's evil schemes. What kind of protection does the Bible say that we need?

The belt of truth - The Bible tells us that Satan is the "father of lies," but he can never win if we will hold on to the truth that Jesus Christ is Lord.

The breastplate of righteousness - Satan can never harm us when we choose to do what God says is right

Feet fitted with the gospel of peace - Satan tries to create worry and confusion in our lives, but knowing Jesus brings peace

The shield of faith - Satan will try to plant seeds of doubt in our hearts and minds, make us feel anxious but those seeds of doubt can never take root if we have faith in Jesus

The helmet of salvation - Jesus came from heaven to earth to save us from the evil one, if we accept salvation in Jesus' name, we will win the battle against Satan

The sword of the Spirit - the Bible, God's Holy Word, it is a powerful weapon against Satan.

No skateboarder should ever get on his board without the proper equipment, and you should never try to go through life without the armour of God.

**Heavenly Father**, thank you for giving us the protection we need to walk safely through our daily life. Help us to make sure we always put on the full armour you have provided. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## Children's Page Oracle - 22nd August 2021

### The Armour of God

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page. You can check your answers in Ephesians 6: 13-17 (NIV)



Therefore put on the full \_\_\_\_\_ of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to \_\_\_\_\_ your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the \_\_\_\_\_ of truth buckled around your waist, with the \_\_\_\_\_ of righteousness in place, and with your \_\_\_\_\_ fitted with the readiness that comes from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. In addition to all this, take up the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Ephesians 6:13-17 (NIV)

breastplate	gospel	armor	peace	belt
feet	helmet	stand	sword	shield