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Welcome to St Magnus Cathedral this morning. It was founded in 1137 by St Rognvald, in honour of Magnus, his uncle. The Cathedral belongs to the people of Orkney and its doors are open to all. If you are a visitor, we hope this order of service will help you feel part of our worship together.

Sunday 17th June
Morning Service - 11.15am

*If you are able, please stand at parts marked **

The congregation is invited to say the words in bold print.

Gathering

Welcome to Worship

Gathering Music:

Lighting of the Christ candle and a time of Silence

**ALL; We light this flame, a living symbol of the one Life in which
we all live and move and have our being,**

[You may wish to use these words to help focus]

I pause for a moment

and reflect on God's life-giving presence

*in every part of my body, in everything around me, in the whole of
my life.*

* HYMN 106 Bring to the Lord a glad new song

* Opening Responses

L; If anyone travels with Christ,

All; there is a new creation,

L; old things are obsolete,

All; all things become new.

Gathering Prayer

Exploring

Bible Reading:

L; We celebrate our God in the stories of our tradition

All who engages with our souls,

linking us with the mystery of the universe,

the endlessness of eternity,

Matthew 5; 38-45

Jesus said ' You know that Hebrew Scripture sets this standard of justice and punishment: take an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say this, don't fight against the one who is working evil against you. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, you are to turn and offer him your left cheek.

If someone connives to get your shirt, give him your jacket as well. If someone forces you to walk with him for a mile, walk with him for two instead. If someone asks you for something, give it to him. If someone wants to borrow something from you, do not turn away. You have been taught to love your neighbour and hate your

enemy. But I tell you this: love your enemies. Pray for those who torment you and persecute you— in so doing, you become children of God.'

L For the Word that was in the beginning, for the Word that invites
and inspires,
for the Word embodied in us:
All; We give thanks.

* **HYMN** 496 Humbly in our sight we come together Lord.

SERMON

Uplifting of the Offering

Affirming

Prayers of Dedication

Candle of Remembrance and Hope

[*All sing*] Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, he rescues me from death.
[*The candle of Remembrance and Hope is lit.*]

[*All sing*] Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, he leads me into life.

Celebrating

The Invitation to Communion

*St Magnus Cathedral is an open community and all are invited to
Christ's table.*

*Wherever you are on your faith's journey,
wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to,
whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe,
you are welcome to participate in the communion.
This sacred meal is for all people.*

The Invitation to Communion

All;

Psalm 113

God the Helper of the Needy Praise the Lord!

*Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and
forevermore.*

*From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to
be praised.*

*The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the
heavens.*

*Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high,
who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?*

*He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash
heap,*

to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

*He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous
mother of children.*

Praise the Lord!

* **HYMN** 19 Ye gates lift your heads on high

* **Sharing the Peace** [A chance for people to bless others in
God's presence]

L; Peace that goes beyond understanding, peace of body, mind and
soul.

**All. Peace that only Jesus Christ can give. Peace that heals and
makes us whole**

L; Let us share that peace together

The Thanksgiving.

The Story of the Meal

The Bread and the Wine

The Sharing of Communion

The elders bring the bread and wine to the people who share it
together by passing to one another.

The Closing Prayer.

* **HYMN** 535 Who would true valour see?

***Sending out**

L; May the blessing of trust be upon and between us.

All; May the expression of love direct and encourage us.

L; May the power of visions and possibility guide us.

All; And may the reality of unity sustain and comfort us

* **Benediction**

* **Choral Amen**