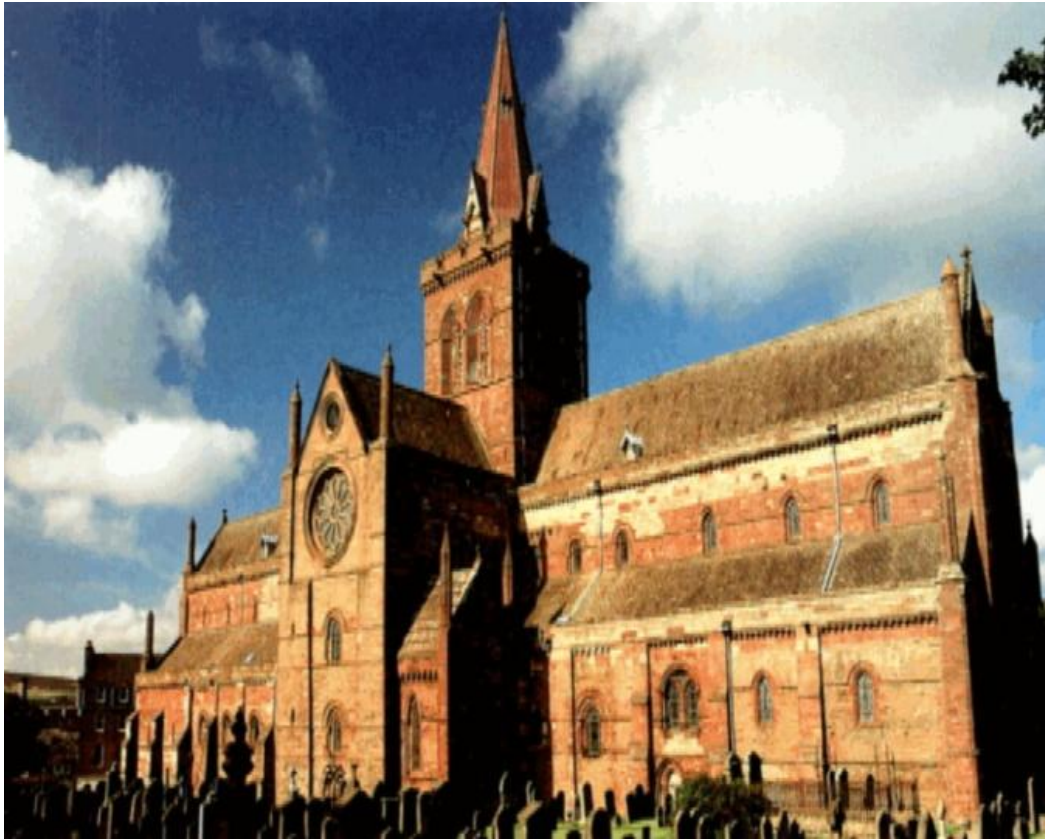


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Welcome to St Magnus Cathedral this morning. It was founded in 1137 by St Rognvald, in honour of Magnus, his uncle. The Cathedral belongs to the people of Orkney and its doors are open to all. If you are a visitor, we hope this order of service will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

Sunday 21st January
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

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

God is with me, but more, God is within me.

*Let me dwell for a moment on God's life-giving presence in my body, in my mind, in my heart,
as I sit here, right now.*

* **HYMN** 195 Here to the house of God we come

* Opening Responses

L; We come to worship the Christ who tends to the poor.

All ;We come to worship the Christ who nourishes the hungry.

L; We come to worship the Christ who gives vision

All; We come to worship the Christ who blesses the peacemakers

Gathering Prayer

Exploring

Bible Reading:

L: May we open ourselves to the seeds of wisdom
that lie dormant in this reading.

**All And may our minds be fertile soil
in which they may grow strong and true**

Genesis 2; 15-17 and 3; 1-7

Then the LORD God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to cultivate it and guard it. He said to him, "You may eat the fruit of any tree in the garden, except the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad. You must not eat the fruit of that tree; if you do, you will die the same day."

Now the snake was the most cunning animal that the LORD God had made. The snake asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat fruit from any tree in the garden?" "We may eat the fruit of any tree in the garden," the woman answered, "except the tree in the middle of it. God told us not to eat the fruit of that tree or even touch it; if we do, we will die." The snake replied, "That's not true; you will not die. God said that, because he knows that when you eat it you will be like God and know what is good and what is bad." The woman saw how beautiful the tree was and how good its fruit would be to eat, and she thought how wonderful it would be to become wise. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, and he also ate it. As soon as they had eaten it, they were given understanding and realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and covered themselves.

L. For the word of God in scripture, For the word of God among us.
For the word of God within us.

All; We give thanks

* **HYMN** 598 Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire

Contemporary Reading

Anthem:

SERMON

Uplifting of the offering

Prayer of Dedication

Affirming

* **HYMN** 544 When I needed a neighbour

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

L; Blessed are those who make peace:
they shall be called sons and daughters of God.

All; We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

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.

Prayers of Concern and the Jesus Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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 for ever. Amen.**

* **HYMN** 547 What a friend we have in Jesus

* **Sending out**

L; May the God we see in all the colours of creation

All; arouse in us a sense of awe and wonder.

L; May the God who is a source of inspiration and courage

All; keep calling us forward.

* **Benediction**

* **Choral Amen**