

Order of Service and Intimations

Sunday 18th March 2018



Opening Voluntaries:

The New Commonwealth – Vaughan Williams

Prelude on Rockingham – CS Lang

Choristers' March – Lefébure-Wély

Welcome and Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 124: Praise to the Lord

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

A Word about The Word

Hymn 396: And can it be

Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 (page 766)
John 12: 20-33 (page 134)

Hymn 392: When I survey the wondrous cross

Sermon

Hymn 526: This is the day of new beginnings

Offering

(Irish Blessing – Bob Chilcott)

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

Hymn 644: O Jesus, I have promised

The Blessing and Choral Amen

Doxology: Praise God

Closing Voluntary:

Trumpet Tune in Seven: James Kasen



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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise him, all creatures here below

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Preacher: Mr Andrew Bruce **Organist:** Stuart McMahon **Readings:** Stuart McMahon

*We extend a warm welcome to any visitors joining our service this morning.
You are invited to join us for tea and coffee in the Large Hall after the service.*

Intimations

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Monday	10am: Keep Fit Group; 7.30pm: The Guild
Tuesday	2pm: KA Leisure Chair Aerobics; 4pm: Craft Group
Wednesday	6.30pm: 1st Saltcoats Girl Guides
Thursday	10.30am: 30 minute Midweek Service; Country Dancing Group 2.30pm / 7.30pm alternating weeks

1. Due to Dorothy's continued absence, we have appointed Rev Mandy Hickman as a locum minister to assist with pastoral support and preaching. Rev James McNay is continuing as our Interim Moderator. If you require the services of a minister, please contact Mandy on 01475 675347 or email Mandy at MHickman@churchofscotland.org.uk. Please continue to remember Dorothy in your prayers and we wish her voice a speedy recovery.
2. Please keep the **Pastoral Care Team** up to date with information about people who need pastoral care or support, or visited at home or in hospital. Please don't assume that they already know – they would rather hear several times over than not at all. The main contacts for pastoral care are Miss Alison Buick (01294 464531) and Mrs Morag Forsyth (01294 463762).
3. This week in the **Presbytery Prayer Diary** we are asked to pray for the congregation of Whiting Bay and Kildonan and their minister Rev Elizabeth Watson.
4. Next Sunday is **Palm Sunday**, and we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10.45am. There will be a short presentation and retiring offering in aid of CHANA (Churches Homeless Action for North Ayrshire).
5. **Prayer Wall:** On Palm Sunday, as part of our 40 acts challenge, we are constructing a prayer wall for our community. You have been given prayer request cards to take away with you and to give to someone in your family or in the community, so they can put in a prayer request, you can make prayer requests too. Please bring all the prayer requests back on Palm Sunday and they will go on our community wall of prayer during the service. Can I encourage church organisations to fill in prayer cards too. Thank you, Mandy.
6. The **Country Dancing** group will meet at 2.30pm this week in the church hall.
7. **The Guild** meets on Monday 19th March at 7.00pm for their AGM which will be followed by a musical presentation by Stuart McMahon at 7.30pm.

8. The funeral of Mr Willie Hay will take place on Wednesday 4th April at 2pm in Kirkgate and thereafter to Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.
9. The funeral of the former organist at St Cuthbert's Church, Mrs Joan Gordon, will take place on Thursday 29th March at 9.45am in St Cuthbert's and thereafter to Holmsford Bridge Crematorium. Joan assisted many congregations in the town over the years, along with her community involvement and concerts.
10. Ray Mckay is proposing to arrange an **outing on Wednesday 9th May** leaving at 10.30am, returning approx 8.00 pm to Charles Rennie Mackintosh's famous Hill House in Helensburgh. There will be a comfort stop at Lomond Shores on the way there and afterwards a trip into Helensburgh or a Garden Centre to be arranged, followed by a meal on the way home at the Loch House Hotel, Lochwinnoch. Cost will depend on numbers, and concession admission to Hill House & grounds £7.50 or free if you are a member of the National Trust for Scotland. If interested please speak to Ray as soon as possible please Tel: 467140
11. November 2018 will mark the end of the centenary of the first world war. It is proposed that we have a wall of **knitted poppies** to mark the occasion. If you are able to assist in the knitting of the poppies then patterns are available on the hall vestibule table. See Fiona Liddell for more information.
12. Anyone wishing to give donations for the **North Ayrshire Foodbank** should either leave them at a local supermarket or hand them in directly to the Church of the Nazarene, Glasgow Street, Ardrossan. Tel: 01294 601312 (Mon-Fri, 10am-2pm) for more details. Other collection points can be found at: *www.northayrshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food*
13. **Sponsored Skydive for Crossreach.** David McLeod is taking on the exhilarating challenge of soaring from 10,000ft in a Tandem Skydive at Auchterarder on Saturday 23 June 2018. David's sponsor sheet is in the hallway if you wish to support him and Crossreach.
14. **Scottish Men's Shed Association:** A public meeting will be held in Sainsbury's Supermarket, Saltcoats on Wednesday, 21 March 2018 at 7.00pm. Tea & Coffee from 6.30pm. The object of the meeting is to sound out local men's interest in setting up a shed locally and to find those who can help organise such a venture. Please see the notice on hall vestibule table.
15. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive **recordings of our services**, then please drop a note to either Mima or Stuart and they'll add you on to the distribution list. We will also supply the playing equipment.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

ARDROSSAN CHURCHES GROUP

Mon 26th - Fri 30th at 10am

Daily Meditation in Park Church, Ardrossan

Evening Services at 7.00pm

Mon 26th: Kirkgate Church, Saltcoats

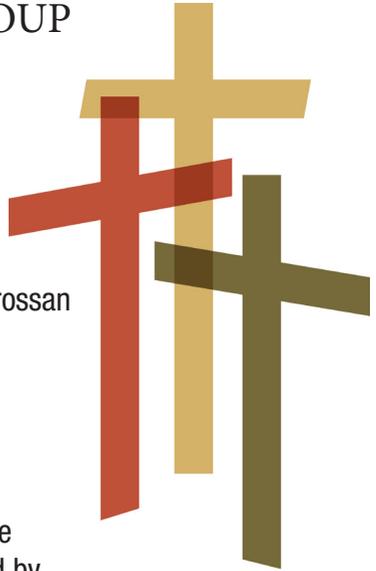
Tues 27th: EU Congregational Church, Ardrossan

Wed 28th: St Peter's Church, Ardrossan

Thur 29th: St Andrew's Church, Ardrossan
(*Holy Communion*)

Fri 30th: Park Church, Ardrossan

Sun 1st April: Easter Morning Open Air Service
on Cannon Hill at 8am, followed by
breakfast in the EU Church (TBC)



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- Do not wait to uplift belongings.
- Do not attempt to go back into the building until instructed it is safe to do so.
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