

Order of Service and Intimations

Sunday 22nd April 2018



Opening Voluntaries:

Overture from Royal Fireworks Music – Handel

Welcome and Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 173: Sing to God new songs of worship

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Reflection

Hymn 691: Be still my soul

Reading: Acts 16: 16-34 (page 169)

Hymn 533: Will you come and follow me

Sermon

Hymn (print): The Lord's my Shepherd

Offering

The Trap – Ron Goodwin

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

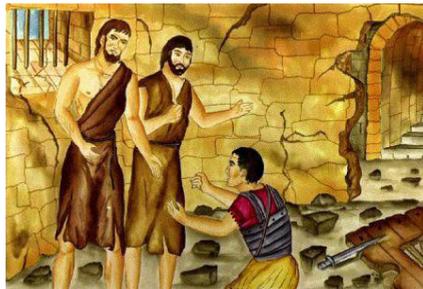
Hymn 237: Look forward in faith

The Blessing and Choral Amen

Doxology: Jesus, name above all names

Closing Voluntary:

War March of the Priests – Mendelssohn



DOXOLOGY

*Jesus, name above all names,
beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord;
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessèd Redeemer, living Word.*

Preacher: Rev Mandy Hickman **Organist:** Stuart McMahon **Reading:** Alistair Colquhoun

*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;
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. Rev James McNay is our Interim Moderator, and Mandy Hickman is our locum minister. If you require the services of a minister, please contact Mandy on 01475 675347 or email Mandy at MHickman@churchofscotland.org.uk.
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. Dorothy officially demitted her charge as minister of Kirkgate on Tuesday 17th April, which means that we are now a vacant congregation. The next stage will be for Presbytery to meet with the Kirk Session to discuss our options for ministry here at Kirkgate. In the meantime, we are still trying to arrange a suitable date for a presentation and lunch for Dorothy, which is likely to be late May at earliest.
4. Next Sunday (29th April) is Mandy's last Sunday with us. To thank Mandy for her work we are having a 'Soup and pudding' lunch after the morning service to which all are invited. Please come along and share this time of fellowship.
5. This week in the **Presbytery Prayer Diary** we are asked to pray for the congregations of North Arran: Brodick I/w Corrie I/w Lochranza & Pirnmill I/w Shiskine, and their minister Rev Angus Adamson and Parish Assistant Mrs Jean Hunter.
6. Would members of **The Guild** intending to go to **South Beach House** please note the date is **WEDNESDAY 2 MAY at 2PM** and not Thursday 3 May as stated in magazine and syllabus. Apologies for any confusion.
7. **Guild Outing to Hill House, Helensburgh** on Wednesday 9th May, The coach will leave Barr Street, Ardrossan at 10.30 am and return to Loch House Hotel, Lochwinnoch for a meal at 5pm before returning to Barr Street. If you are going on the trip and haven't yet paid then please put your monies in an envelope and return to Ray McKay as soon as possible.
8. **Christian Aid** envelopes will be given out next Sunday and any donations should be returned on Sunday 13th May, when we will also be having a Christian Aid lunch.

9. The **Country Dancing** group will meet on Thursday 26th April at 2.30pm.
10. We urgently need an extra couple of people from the congregation to assist with **Sunday door duties** and helping with the collection. Please speak to either Mima McSwan or Gordon McMahan if you can assist.
11. We are also looking for some additional help with the **church cleaning rota**. Dusting and hoovering is not a time consuming task taking approx 45 minutes every few weeks. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Please see Mima if you can assist.
12. **Safeguarding training** for volunteers will take place in Kirkgate on Thursday 10th May at 7pm. This training is for new volunteers (e.g. Pastoral visitors) and for existing volunteers who did their training more than 5 years ago. Please speak to Vivien before the end of April if you are able to attend.

MP 1008: The Lord's My Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

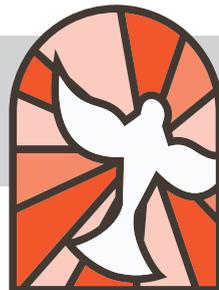
He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.
And I will trust in You alone....

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.
And I will trust in You alone....

Stuart Townend

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Prayer points and thought for the week



Please pray for:

- *Those who are persecuted for their faith*
- *Those who have drifted away from church, that they might know they are still part of the body of Christ*
- *Renewed energy and inspiration for those who serve and follow in discipleship*
- *The areas in our world where there is conflict, that there is a willingness to look for peaceful solutions*
- *God's guidance as Kirkgate faces a period of vacancy*

Reflecting on the situation Paul and Silas found themselves in, think of both yourself and others who feel chained to something: slavery, abuse, financial crisis, ill health, bullying, and relationship problems. In times of adversity how did you cope with challenging circumstances? Do you give up all hope or do you turn to God in the assurance and trust that God never deserts us in our time of need?

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