

Order of Service and Intimations

Sunday 29th April 2018



Opening Voluntaries:

Gloria – Vivaldi

Cantique de Jean Racine – Fauré

Welcome and Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 511: Your hand, O God has guided

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Reflection

Hymn 559: There is a Redeemer

**Readings: Psalm 40: 9-10 (page 561)
Matthew 28: 16-20 (page 44)**

Hymn 363: We have a gospel to proclaim

Sermon

Hymn (sheet): In Christ alone

Offering

Gabriel's Oboe – Ennio Morricone

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

Hymn 722: Spirit of God, come dwell within me

The Blessing and Choral Amen

Doxology: You shall go out with joy

Closing Voluntary:

Con Te Partirò – Sartori / Quarantotto / Bocelli



DOXOLOGY

*You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace,
And the mountains and the hills
Shall break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy
And the trees of the fields
Shall clap, shall clap their hands.*

*And the trees of the fields shall
clap their hands,
And the trees of the fields shall
clap their hands,
And the trees of the fields shall
clap their hands,
And you'll go out with joy.*

Preacher: Rev Mandy Hickman **Organist:** Stuart McMahon **Reading:** Jean Rainey

***We extend a warm welcome to any visitors joining our service this morning.
You are invited to join us for soup and a pudding 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. If you require the services of a minister, please contact James on 01294 823186 or email James at JMcNay@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. Today 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 congregation of Cumbrae linked with Largs: St John's and their new minister Rev Jonathan Fleming.
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 today and any donations should be returned on Sunday 13th May, when we will also be having a Christian Aid lunch.
9. 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.

10. 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.
11. The **Country Dancing** group will meet on Thursday 3rd May at 7.30pm.
12. The **Kirk Session** will meet for regular business on Thursday 17th May at 7.30pm.
13. **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.
14. Tickets are now available for our ever popular **Quiz Night** on Friday 18th May at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5 which includes a light supper. There will also be a raffle on the evening, and participants should bring their own bottled refreshments.
15. The funeral of Mrs Grace Massie will take place on Monday, 14th May at 11.30am at Holmsford Bridge Crematorium and thereafter to the Lauriston Hotel for light refreshments at 12.30pm. If you are unable to attend the service at the crematorium please do come along and meet up with the family at the Lauriston at 12.30pm.
16. The funeral of Mr David Cook will take place in Park Church, Ardrossan on Thursday 17th May at 10.30am and thereafter at Holmsford Bridge Crematorium at 11.30am.

IN CHRIST ALONE

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| <p>1. <i>In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.</i></p> | <p>3. <i>There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine -
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.</i></p> |
| <p>2. <i>In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied -
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.</i></p> | <p>4. <i>No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.</i></p> |

Prayer points and thought for the week



Please pray for:

- *Members who are housebound, who are unwell, who are unable come and share in worship and fellowship at our church services.*
- *Rev James McNay your Interim Moderator at Kirkgate as he continues to support and offer leadership to the elders and the congregation.*
- *God's guidance as Kirkgate faces a period of vacancy*
- *A willingness to answer the call to go and make disciples, reaching out in mission to our community*
- *Strength and resilience as a congregation to be a faithful community in Christ, in the days, weeks and months ahead.*

*The thought of responding to the Great Commission may seem a bit daunting but imagine the difference each of us could make by going out and sharing the good news. That could be in word, it could be in an action, it could be in a caring and compassionate response. As Christians we have been called by God to fulfil his purposes not just for our congregation and community but for the whole world. Let us always remember: **'It is not the church of God that has a mission in the world but the God of mission that has a church in the world.'***

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Anyone wishing to include a notice in the weekly intimations should give details to Stuart McMahon, stuart@md93.co.uk, Tel: 01294 603848 **no later than a Wednesday evening.**

Fire Safety – in the event of a Fire:

- Remain calm and leave the building by the nearest exit.
- Do not wait to uplift belongings.
- Do not attempt to go back into the building until instructed it is safe to do so.
- Please gather outside the Royal Bank of Scotland, Chapelwell Street.

A loop system is installed for people who may have hearing difficulties.

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