INTIMATIONS

WELCOME to our Worship today. If you are visiting we hope you enjoy being with us, and we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book. <u>Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning service.</u> The Church and hall have loop systems and those with hearing aids should switch to position 'T'. If you are able, please stand as the Bible is brought in and taken out.

SUNDAY CLUB AND FYF Sunday Club and FYF meet today at 10.50am. There is a Crèche for pre-school children each Sunday morning.

PRAYER GROUP The prayer meetings continue on Wednesday mornings at 10.00am in the small hall. The Prayer Group are happy to pray for any requests which any of the congregation have. Feel free to put any in the box in the vestibule.

<u>PASTORAL CARE</u> The team is ready to help you. Just phone either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591), and help could be on its way. Please allow time for arrangements to be made if you require to be taken to appointments.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Come along to the Church Hall on Wednesday 5th April at 1.30pm to join with the ladies in studying the Lenten study "At the Cross". This week we will look at Luke 2: 25-38 through the eyes of Mary entitled Finding Trust. We'd be delighted to have you with us for an hour or reading God's word and trying to see what it says to us today.

HIGHLAND FOODBANK During Lent why not donate something to this worthy cause. Remember school holidays begin. Perhaps a treat such as crisps or biscuits would be welcome as well as the usual staples.

RETIRING COLLECTION There will be a retiring collection today for the Disasters Emergency Committee East Africa crisis appeal.

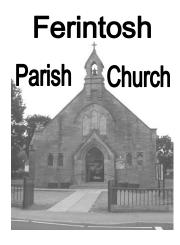
NEWSLETTERS Copies of the Ferintosh Focus Newsletters are available to collect from the annexe for those who distribute them.

PASTORAL DUTIES Rev'd Russel Smith can be contacted on 861011 if required for any Pastoral duties.

Service next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Mr Jim McAlpine

Registered Charity no. SCO12675



Order of Service

for

Sunday 2nd April 2017

11.00am Morning Service

Rev'd Russel Smith

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

Hymn: 457 'All hail the power of Jesus' Name'

Prayer

Hymn: 560 'Jesus, the very thought of thee'

Readings John 11: 1 - 45 (page 1077 in Bible)

Romans 8: 6 - 11 (page 1134 in Bible)

Hymn: 396 'And can it be'

Sermon

Prayer

Hymn: 167 'Guide me, O thou great Jehovah'

Children's Talk

Hymn: 93 'Let us with a gladsome mind'

Benediction

ELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE At the meeting last Sunday 26th March the following were elected as the Nominating Committee:

Mairi Fraser Tommy MacGregor Isabel MacKenzie Joan MacKenzie Irene Munro

Wednesday 5th April at 3pm.

Janet Murray John Smith

Roderick Urquhart Shona Vance

SEAFORTH HOUSE The next service at Seaforth House is planned for

GUILD The final meeting of the Guild for session 2016-17 will take place tomorrow Monday 3rd April at 2pm in the Church Hall. We will view some of the DVD of the National meeting, which took place in Dundee last September. In particular we will see and hear Sally Magnusson talk about the charity "Playlist for Life" which aims to help those living with dementia to have a better quality of life through music significant to the individual. Do come along and be inspired by the story she tells. Everyone welcome. This is also our AGM. See you there.

<u>RIVER CAFÉ</u> The next River Cafe takes place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 12th April from 2pm-3.30pm. This gives the opportunity to meet for a chat while enjoying some tea/coffee and home baking. Why not drop in, even if only for a wee while? We look forward to welcoming you there.

EASTER DAFFODILS It is hoped that there will still be daffodils around for decorating the church at Easter. If you can provide daffodils, glass vases or help in any way,the church will be open on Saturday 15th April from 10-10.30am. The daffodils will be uplifted for distribution following the 11am service on Easter Sunday.

DINGWALL CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP We have this wonderful facility in Dingwall for Christian literature and it is a great way to show Christ's presence in our community. However, the shop is unable to open some days it would like due to the shortage of volunteers. Can you spare two and a half hours a week to man the shop? Training and assistance is given. Please give it serious consideration.

<u>Please take this home with you to</u> help you with your prayers this week.

O God, we thank you that you have not treated us as we deserve.

We thank you that, though you are the Creator, Judge and King, you are also Father, so that, though we are wandering children, there is always a road back to our Father's house.

You have spoken to us, in the voice of conscience, in the words of your Book, in the promptings of your Holy Spirit, and yet we have not obeyed your voice. You have shown us the best, in the ideals which still haunt us, in the life and example of the godly, in the pattern of Jesus, and yet we have not followed it. You have tried to teach us, in the events of history, in the experiences of life, in the wisdom of the sages, the prophets and the saints, and yet we have not learned your lesson.

You have called us to the life of love, to the forgiving of each other, to the helping of those in need, to the caring which is like your care, and yet we have lived in bitterness, in selfishness and in heedlessness of the appeal of need. We have nothing in our hands to bring. We have no merits of our own. There is no plea of self-defence that we can offer.

So above all else we thank you for Jesus Christ our Saviour, who died that we might be forgiven.

So for his sake hear us as we say, "God be merciful to me a sinner." And when you hear, forgive and save.

This we ask for your love's sake.