

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. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the service. 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.

PASTORAL CARE If you need some assistance, why not give the Team a call. You can reach us either by contacting your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591) and we will do our very best to help. Do allow time for arrangements to be made if you need to be taken to appointments.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY For the next two weeks the group will use the World Day of Prayer studies devised by Christian women in the Philippines. Week one looks at Matthew 20: 1-16. The group meets on Wednesday 26th April at 1.30pm in the Church Hall. Do try to come along if you can. A warm welcome awaits.

GUILD Date for you diary, members. Monday June 19th trip to Grantown on Spey for lunch and meet up with Esmayr. Details to follow. Another date is Wednesday 5th July for a visit to Cameron House, Inverness.

LONG SERVICE Today we congratulate James Bremner, Eric Munro, Isabel MacKenzie and Janette Steele on the 40th Anniversary of the ordination to the eldership. (24th April 1977). We give thanks for their dedication and service and pray God's blessing upon them as they continue to serve the Lord in this place.

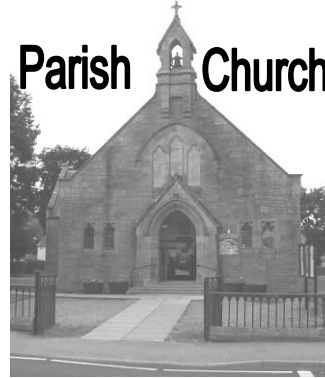
PASTORAL DUTIES Rev'd Russel Smith can be contacted on 861011 if required for any Pastoral duties.

Service next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Rev'd Russel Smith

Registered Charity no. SCO12675

Ferintosh Parish Church



Order of Service

for

Sunday 23rd April 2017

**11.00am
Morning Service**

Rev'd Russel Smith

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

Hymn: 645 'I'm not ashamed to own my Lord'

Prayer

Hymn: 427 'Alleluia! Alleluia!'

Readings Psalm 133 (*page 625 in Bible*)

Acts 4: 32 - 35 (*page 1096 in Bible*)

John 20: 19 - 31 (*page 1089 in Bible*)

Hymn: 132 'Immortal, invisible, God only wise'

Sermon

Prayer

Hymn: 237 'Look forward in faith'

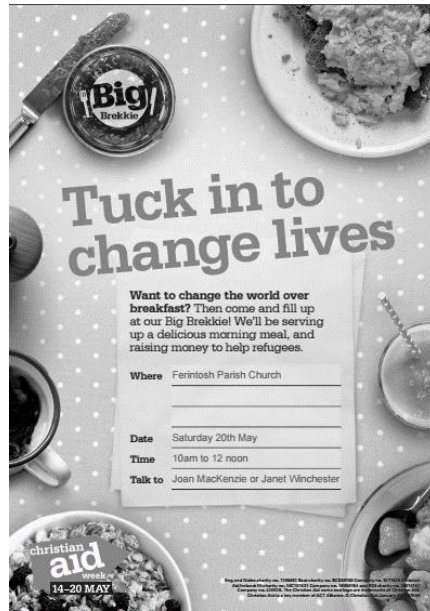
Children's Talk

Hymn: 286 'Tell out, my soul'

Benediction

CHRISTIAN AID BIG BREKKIE

Yes something different this year to end Christian Aid Week. We are planning to serve a Big Brekkie, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday 20th May in the Church hall, open to the whole community, so will need your help if it is to succeed. Please speak to Janet Winchester or Joan MacKenzie if you can help in any way, donations of your time and food will be greatly appreciated. We will also be having our door-to-door collection, which has always been our main fund raiser, so volunteers also please to step out in Conon and Maryburgh happily shaking cans.



CHRISTIAN AID MUSIC QUIZ This year we have a really fun 'pop' music quiz which should appeal to anyone into 60s/70s music, so please take a sheet or more and enjoy flexing your brain cells. Copies available on the table with other notices in church, with box for donations, minimum £1.

TEN-PIN BOWLING Following the success of our last venture to this establishment, we plan to return on Wednesday 3rd May, meeting in the car park beside the church at 6.30pm before heading to Inverness for 7pm. As before, cost is £6/head and this includes the hire of the bowling shoes and 1 game of bowling. (We have a voucher for a 2nd game free). Refreshments can be purchased at the venue. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church or contact Janet Murray. If you feel like a challenge why not come along? It'll be good fun!

CROSSREACH Old Pounds, New Opportunities - CrossReach have developed a cube box to put your Old Pounds into and by saving them they hope to bring New Opportunities to young children from all over Scotland who look to CrossReach for assistance. CrossReach believes that this simple, yet effective, idea can help transform a life one box at a time. Janette Steele, your congregation's supporter for CrossReach will be sending for some boxes. If you'd like to participate please put your name on the sheet at the back of the Church after today's service.

Please take this home with you to help you with your prayers this week.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)

- † Legislation passed last August, has imposed further restrictions on the building of churches in Egypt. Some extremists appear to interpret this as a licence to challenge Christians' right to worship. Pray that officials will uphold this right. Pray that God will thwart further Islamist militant attacks. (Release Prayershield) Pray for the persecuted church in Pakistan, Azerbaijan, Egypt and Uganda this April.
- † O God the Father, origin of divinity, good beyond all that is good, fair beyond all that is fair, in whom is calmness, peace and concord; do thou make up the dissensions which divide us from each other, and bring us back into a unity of love, which may bear some likeness to thy divine nature. And as thou art above all things, make us one by the unanimity of a good mind, that through the embrace of charity and the bonds of affection, we may be spiritually one, as well in ourselves as in each other; through that peace of thine which maketh all things peaceful, and through the grace, mercy and tenderness of thy Son, Jesus Christ. (Liturgy of St Dionysius 9th Century)
- † Philippians 2:1,2 It is good to share fellowship with one another. Be aware of what is planned and what is happening within your own congregation. Give thanks for the many encouragements received. Be tender and compassionate towards the elderly. Older folks are slower in their movements and in their thinking processes. Be patient and reap the reward of their words of wisdom and guidance. The older generation are very faithful in their prayer life and this is an important way in which our housebound friends can support the work of the church. (UF Church of Scotland Prayer and study guide)
- † Remember to pray for yourself. God knows your every need but he likes to meet with you; to hear of your joys and your sorrows; to hear of your worries and your thanks. Plan to meet Him every day this week.

Let this day, O Lord, add some knowledge or good deed to yesterday. (Lancelot Andrewes 1555-1626)