

## 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** Perhaps you need to attend a hospital or health centre appointment and wonder how you can get there. Don't despair! Give the Team a call. We will try our very best to help. Contact either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591). It is helpful to get a bit of notice to allow arrangements to be made.

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY** The following seven weeks, beginning 10<sup>th</sup> May, will see the group study the prophecy of Haggai. We meet in the Church Hall at 1.30pm each Wednesday for approximately an hour. The readings for the first week entitled "God's Diary" are Haggai 1:1-2; Psalms 90 & 139; Jeremiah 1: 1-10; Matthew 24:36-44 and Galatians 4:1-7. There are some study notes still available and we'd love more ladies to join us even if you can't manage every week. Pray about it. It might be what you are looking for.

**KIRK SESSION** The next meeting of the Kirk Session will be on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm and it will meet in the Church Hall. Minutes and Agendas are available to uplift now. Elders who receive their Minutes and Agenda by email should have them by now. Members of the congregation are welcome to attend Kirk Session Meetings as observers but are not allowed to contribute to any discussions that take place unless invited to do so by the Chairperson. Also, from time to time observers may be asked to leave a meeting if any items of Restricted Business are on the Agenda.

**RIVER CAFÉ** The next River Cafe takes place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm-3.30pm. Why not drop in for a chat, some tea or coffee and some delicious home baking? We look forward to welcoming you there.

**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 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**11.00am  
Morning Service**

**Mr Jim McAlpine**

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

**Hymn: 63** 'All people that on earth do dwell'

Prayer

**Hymn: 739** 'The Church's one foundation'

Readings Psalm 2: 1 - 12 (*page 543 in Bible*)

**Hymn: 159** 'Lord, for the years'

Sermon

Prayer

**Hymn: 470** 'Jesus shall reign'

Children's Talk

**Hymn: 513** 'Courage, brother! do not stumble'

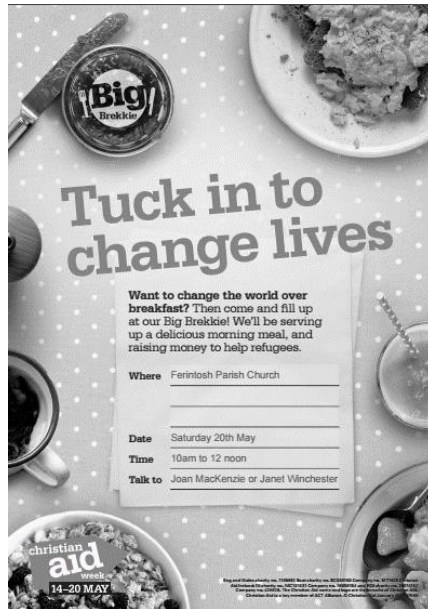
Benediction

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14<sup>TH</sup> TO 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY** Lists are now available for help during our fund raising week, on the usual table in church. Offers of food, & help to set up on the evening of the 19<sup>th</sup> & morning of 20<sup>th</sup> would be much appreciated. With the ever-increasing households in Conon additional volunteers to go 'door to door' are also required.

Please speak to Joan MacKenzie or Janet Winchester if you can offer any assistance. All envelopes & cans, etc. will be available to collectors on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, or before if required.

### **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 20<sup>th</sup> May in the Church hall, open to the whole community, so will need your help if it is to succeed. Local businesses have been very generous in their promises of goods, but we do still need one or two items. Please sign up on the list on the table at the back of the Church to provide these, as well as to volunteer for jobs on the day. Any queries, contact Joan Mackenzie or Janet Winchester. We will also be having our door-to-door collection, which has always been our main fundraiser, 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.

**BLYTHSWOOD** Remember we have a big red bin at the back door of the Church for any donations of unwanted articles. Just drop them in there - no need to travel to Dingwall with your contributions.

**HIGHLAND FOODBANK** Thank you all who donated so generously over the period of Lent. Unfortunately, the need for the Foodbank hasn't gone away and, if anything, more people are needing the help. Please drop any contributions into the basket in the annex. It is very much appreciated by the volunteers and service users.

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

***I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. John 5: 24***

† God of the impossible, we pray for justice, peace and reconciliation. And when the challenges seem too many, remind us of your resurrection power, and the miracles of your love that happen whenever injustice is dismantled and rebuilt with peace. Help us to hope that the impossible can happen and live as if it might do so today. (World Mission enews)

† Lord Jesus, you invite me to cast all my burdens on you. Precious Lord, thank you that I can bring my anxiety and fear to the foot of the cross—and leave it there.

Jesus, speak to my persecuted brothers and sisters today; reassure them of your love, teach them to trust you and help them give themselves completely to you (James 4:7). Help me to do the same, Lord. (Release Prayershield)

In May pray for those Christians under threat in Central Asia, Egypt, Malaysia, Sudan and North Korea.

† Father, we pray for those known to us who are in hospital and are anxious about what the next step may mean for them. Extend your love to them so that they may know that they can share all their worries with you. Give wisdom and patience to those who care for them that the right decisions may be made for the best possible outcomes.

† Following the local elections, we pray for all who are now in office at this level. May they take decisions which will benefit all the communities in which we live and which will be in accordance with God's will.

† Pray for all the young people going through exams at this time.

***I'm tired, Lord, but I'll lift one foot if you'll lift the other for me.***  
(Saidie Patterson)