

## **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 resume at 10.50am on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August. 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 prayers in the box in the vestibule.

**PASTORAL CARE** You can get help. Just try the Team. We are ready and willing to assist. Get in touch either with your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591).

**MORNING WORSHIP TEAS** If you are able to assist with these, on an occasional basis, can you please add your name to the new list in the hall? Your help and support would be most welcome. Many thanks.

**GUILD** There are two tickets available for the Guild National Gathering at the Caird Hall in Dundee on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. If you would love the chance to go to this amazing, uplifting meeting, please contact Janette Steele as soon as possible.

**HIGHLAND FOODBANK** Could you donate any of the following? Teabags, coffee, meals-in-a tin, washing powder, biscuits. Thank you, so generous people.

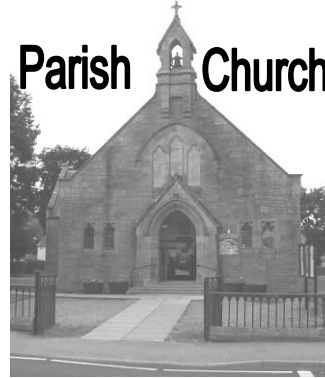
**PASTORAL DUTIES** Rev'd Russel Smith can be contacted on 861011 if required for any Pastoral duties.

## **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 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

**11.00am  
Morning Service**

**Rev'd Russel Smith**

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

**Hymn 484:** 'Great God, your love has called us here'

Prayer

**Hymn 235:** 'God is working his purpose out'

Reading

Genesis 28: 10 - 19a (*page 30 in Bible*)

Romans 8: 12 - 25 (*page 1134 in Bible*)

Matthew 13: 24 - 30 & 36 - 43 (*page 979 in Bible*)

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

Sermon

**Hymn 549:** 'How deep the Father's love for us'

Prayer

**Hymn 542:** 'Lord, speak to me'

Benediction

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

**KIRK SESSION** The next meeting of the Kirk Session will be on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August 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 get them shortly. 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.

**THE CHURCH'S FINANCES** In July, our Receipts of £4,577.35 exceeded Payments of £3,487.19 by £1,090.16. This was due mainly to the Gift Aid Tax recoveries for the quarter to 30<sup>th</sup> June. For the seven months to the end of July, the deficit amounts to £1,363.10, a more favourable position than previously.

**GIFT DAY 2017** It has been agreed that our Annual Gift Day will be held on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September between 10am and 12 noon. Invitation letters will be issued shortly.

**NEW START HIGHLAND** The collection in the Church Hall is growing. Thank you those who are contributing. Can you help?

Starter Packs: grater, colander, scale, baking tray, chopping board, cake tin, teapot, sealable containers, jug, wooden spoon, potato masher, fish slice, tin opener, ladle, mixing bowl, casserole dish.

Cleaning Packs: basin, cloth, tea towel, sponge, washing-up liquid, brush & pan set.

These items need not be brand new but obviously in very good condition, perhaps something surplus to your requirements. Please leave donations in the small hall.

***Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come, and share your master's happiness! Matthew 25: 21***

O God,

Help me not to waste my time. Don't let me always be in a hurry and a fuss, but help me to go on quietly and without haste, filling every minute with the work which is given me to do.

Help me not to waste my strength. Help me to see quite clearly the things which matter and the things which don't matter. Give me a sense of proportion that I may not get all hot and bothered about things which are of no importance, and so make myself too tired and exhausted to do the things which really matter.

Help me not to waste my money. Don't let me be mean and miserly, but help me to spend wisely and give generously, and try to use everything I have remembering that it belongs, not to me, but to you.

Above all, help me not to waste my life. Help me to use the talents you have given me, to seize the opportunities you are sending me, so that some day you may be able to say to me, "Well done!"

You are the Lord and Master of all good life; hear this my prayer and help me to live well.

Through Jesus Christ my Lord.

Amen

More Prayer for the Plain Man      *William Barclay*