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 Church hall after the 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 Prayer meetings continue on Wednesday mornings at 10am in the Church hall. Prayer is the essential powerhouse of the Church and your participation would be greatly valued. The small group is very friendly and there is no pressure to pray aloud if you do not wish to.

PASTORAL CARE If you need some help, please don't hesitate to enlist the help of the Team. Members are ready and willing to do their best to be of assistance. Contact either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349861591). Allow time for arrangements to be made if you possibly can.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Next week, 28th February, we are meeting in the Church Hall at 1.30pm to examine the next study in the Cover to Cover Series which is called "Living Faith". The Invitation to service is the area we hope to look at via John 19: 28-30 and Matthew 25: 34-40 (this is due to last week's being cancelled). Please do think about coming along for these Invitations from the Cross. A warm welcome awaits you. The meeting lasts approximately an hour.

SOUP LUNCH The last Soup Lunch for this winter will take place in the Church Hall on Friday 2nd March starting at 12 midday. Why not join us for some delicious home-made soup, tea and biscuits and the chance to meet up for a chat? We look forward to meeting to you there.

<u>FERINTOSH FOCUS</u> The next edition of the Ferintosh Focus will be published in March. Any articles or contributions to the editorial team please by Friday 9th March.

PASTORAL DUTIES Rev'd Stephen Macdonald can be contacted on 864273 if required for any Pastoral duties.

Service next Sunday

Holy Communion Service at 11.00am with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Ferintosh
Parish Church

Order of Service

for

Sunday 25th February 2018

11.00am Morning Service

Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

Hymn: 478 'Behold the amazing gift of love'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Address & Prayer

Hymn: 641 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God'

Reading Mark 6: 30 – 44 (page 1009 in Bible)

Hymn: 251 'I, the Lord of sea and sky'

Sermon

Hymn: 268 'O God of Bethel!'

Benediction

Registered Charity no. SCO12675

HOLY COMMUNION Next Sunday 4th March, we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion at our morning worship at 11.00am. The Kirk Session are asked to meet in the small hall at 10.45am prior to worship.

<u>KIRK SESSION</u> The Kirk Session will meet at 7.00pm on Thursday 8th March in the Church Hall. Minutes and agendas are available to uplift now. Elders who have elected to receive them by email should now have them.

GUILD The Guild meets on Monday 5th March at 2pm in the Church Hall. The speaker is Hannah Sutherland and she will give us insight into #Highland Supports Refugees. If you'd like to learn more, do come along. All are welcome. This organisation is currently collecting men's, women's and children's clothing and shoes as well as sleeping bags, toiletries and blankets. If any member of the congregation would like to donate, bring it to Hall before 5th March.

MALAWI INFORMATION EVENING Rosskeen Church of Scotland Guild invites anyone interested in an update on work in Malawi to a meeting at Roskeen (Alness) on tomorrow, Monday 26th February at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Alan Laverock, who has worked in Ekwendeni, and is involved in the setting up of the Banana Box Trust, which aims, following the winding up of the Raven Trust, to continue the transport of essential goods to Malawi. If you require or can offer transport please contact Janet Winchester (01349 865308).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER The 2018 World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm in St Clement's Church, Dingwall. The Order of Service, on the theme "All God's creation is very good!" has been prepared by Christian women in Suriname. All are welcome to attend. If you require or can offer transport, contact Janet Winchester (01349 865308).

SCRIPTURE UNION Ross-shire Scripture Union Action group are hosting a Christian Values for Education event for parents and carers to ask about Christian Worship in schools and how we can see more Christian values in schools, and discuss other issues. This is to take place on Saturday 10th March at Alness Capstone Centre, 10- 12noon. Entry is £5 which includes bacon rolls and coffee.

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

It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer, and while they are still speaking I will hear. Isaiah 65 v 24

- † Give thanks for all who work with the poorest people in society across the world. We have been challenged when reading about a very few who have abused their position. However, the work needs to continue to help the most vulnerable. Pray that people of integrity will continue to do their most valuable work and we will support them in funds and most especially our prayers.
- † Pray for all Christians who are persecuted for their faith. Help us to understand from the safety of our land just what they go through in order to follow the Lord Jesus Christ.
- † We pray for the children and young people in our community. May they feel safe and respected. May they know love from all who should give it. Pray for the youngsters who have broken homes and know difficulties in their situation. Pray that they will receive help and support suitable to their needs.
- † The Lord knows what we need before we even speak but He loves to know that we come to him to be with him daily and all the gifts we have come from him. Make daily prayer your routine.

The shortest prayer Lord, save me! Matthew 14 v30