

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 Church 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.

BREAKFAST CLUB A new Breakfast Club for children starts today at 1020 to which all nursery and primary children are invited.

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 Remember we are here if you need some help. Give your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349861591), a call and we will try hard to assist.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Pick up an invitation to a 7-week study of Luke and Acts. Using a combination of Bible Reading, DVD teaching, group discussion and prayer, we hope to grow in our understanding of what Luke wrote and how it applies to our lives. Each Wednesday in May and first two in June at 1.30pm in the Church Hall. We hope you can join us to study one quarter of the New Testament! Last week was very much an introduction, so this week starting study one. Still time to join us (Invitations at the back of the Church)

RIVER CAFÉ The next River Cafe takes place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 9th May from 2-3.30pm. Why not take the opportunity to relax with a cup of tea/coffee and some home baking, while enjoying the all-important chat? We look forward to seeing you there. If you feel you could help provide some home baking for this on an occasional basis, please add your name to the list at the back of the Church as this would be gratefully appreciated. Many thanks.

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

Services next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

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Ferintosh Parish Church



Order of Service

for

Sunday 6th May 2018

**11.00am
Morning Service**

Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

Hymn: 96 'You are before me'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Address & Prayer

Hymn: 180 'Give thanks'

Reading Judges 7: 1 - 21 (*page 249 in Bible*)

Hymn: 268 'O God of Bethel!'

Sermon

Hymn: 512 'To God be the glory'

Benediction

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Welcome and Intimations

Hymn: 352 'O for a thousand tongues'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 691 'Be still, my soul'

Reading Genesis 39: 1 - 11 (*page 43 in Bible*)

Hymn: 461 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds'

Sermon

Hymn: 396 'And can it be'

Benediction

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - 13TH TO 19TH MAY Preparations well in hand for this occasion of fellowship & fund raising in the Church Hall. If you have not already volunteered in any way to provide food (perhaps bread & biscuits) please add your name to the lists on the church table. We would love to welcome you to our 'team', helping in the kitchen or service on the day, especially if you are new to the congregation. Maryburgh Free Church members have also been invited to join us for this special lunch. Don't forget to pick up your challenging Quiz sheet; daily devotional booklet for Christian Aid week also available, along with C.A. news.

TEA FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP As this is an important part of our Church life, would you consider providing tea and biscuits following Morning Worship on an occasional basis? It is not necessary to provide baking! If so, can you please add your name to the list in the Church hall. As numbers continue to increase, it could be helpful if 2 people would work together on this. Many thanks.

VISIT OF MODERATOR TO ROSS AND ROSS/TAIN GUILDS Many thanks to all who helped in any way with the very successful visit on Monday 23rd April. Many people have commented how much they enjoyed the evening, and how much they appreciated the welcome from Ferintosh Guild and congregation. The offering for Crossreach's Morven House project (choice of the Moderator) amounted to £176. Photos of the evening are on the Ferintosh website and Facebook page. Some have also been sent to the Guild office and the Ross-shire Journal.

THE LEPROSY MISSION (SCOTLAND) TLM Scotland is holding its Annual Celebration in the North Parish Church Stirling on Saturday 2nd June from 11am. See the poster in the Church hall for details. Anyone interested in joining transport, please contact Janet Winchester (01349 865308)

HIGHLAND FOODBANK As you will have seen in the media, the Foodbanks across the country are busier than ever. Your help is required more than ever. Please continue to give generously so that families and others may receive the help they so desperately need. Place an extra item in your shopping basket. It makes such a difference to people's lives. Thank you.

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

***Did not he who made me in the womb make them? Did not the same one
form us both within our mothers? Job 31: 15***

- † Do we have negative attitudes towards certain groups of people because of their race or social status? Let's bring those feelings honestly before our loving Father. Ask Him for forgiveness and for His help to see all people as He does--- as His beloved creations. (If we can't honestly pray this, then start by asking God to make us want to be able to pray this). (United Free Church of Scotland Prayer Guide)
- † Pray for Clashfarquhar House in Stonehaven run by CrossReach for 21 residents plus respite care and day care. Pray for the service users, Friends' Group, local ministers who provide Sunday services and Communion, activity coordinator (with help from students, Duke of Edinburgh volunteers, staff and friends), local GPs, dentist and healthcare team.
- † Pray for the persecuted Church. We pray especially for those in Malaysia. Pray that the police will do more to protect church communities. In January a petrol bomb was thrown at a Methodist church in Kota Bahru in a suspected extremist attack. Ask God to protect this congregation. Pray for greater commitment among political leaders to protect religious liberties.
- † Pray for Asha (meaning Hope in Hindi) which is a health and development society dedicated to improving the lives of slum dwellers in Delhi. (estimated 4 million people) It uses a holistic approach including community and individual development, environmental improvement and provision of healthcare services many of these provided by volunteers – breast feeding, nutrition and childcare.



Don't fear tomorrow. God is already there. (Dornoch Cathedral Magazine)