

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 each 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.

HOLIDAY CLUB Holiday Club meets today at 10.50am. Sunday Club, FYF and Breakfast Club return on 4th November. 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.

INFORMAL PRAYER TIME BEFORE THE MORNING SERVICE Come along when you can, leave when you want: **for ten seconds or ten minutes**. Prayer and reflection time in the hall posh room every Sunday between 10.15 and 10.45 a.m.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY We continue with the fourth study of "The Armour of God" entitled Knowing, believing, living with readings from Ephesians 6, Psalm 51 and John 8 and 17. We'd love to have you with us on a Wednesday at 1.30pm in the Church Hall to study God's Word together. The meeting lasts approximately an hour. Please do come along.

PASTORAL CARE Please contact the Team if you need help. Either speak to your elder or Janette Steele on 01349 861591 and we will do our best to assist.

GUILD Correction to last week's intimation re invitation to Roskeen Guild for Monday 15th October: Stella Reynolds is going to speak of the Reema project, supporting the children of sex workers in Puna, India, and not on the Sailors' Society project as intimated last week. Please add your name to the list if you wish to attend. There is also a list for those who wish tickets for the Big Sing either in Airdrie on 23rd November or in Edinburgh on December 7th (Christmas Big Sing). Names must be added by this Sunday evening as tickets are "first come, first served".

BLYTHSWOOD Remember there is a large red bin at the rear of the Church for your donations of unwanted items for this charity. You don't have to carry goods far.

PASTORAL DUTIES The minister will be on holiday from Monday 15th to Monday 29th October. Pastoral cover will be provided by Rev Russel Smith (861011). Please contact Russel or the Session Clerk if you require pastoral support.

Services next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Mrs Irene Munro

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Mrs Irene Munro

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Ferintosh Parish Church



Order of Service

for

Sunday 14th October 2018

**11.00am
Morning Service**

Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

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

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Address and Prayer

Hymn: 'Deep and wide'

Readings Luke 15: 11 - 24 (*page 1049 in Bible*)

Hymn: 419 'Thine be the glory'

Sermon

Hymn: 555 'Amazing grace!'

Benediction

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald

Welcome and Intimations

Hymn: 470 'Jesus shall reign'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 462 'The King of Love my Shepherd is'

Reading Ruth 4: 1 - 12 (*page 269 in Bible*)

Hymn: 124 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King'

Sermon

Hymn: 559 'There is a Redeemer'

Benediction

HIGHLAND FOODBANK Donations are required every week for this work in helping people in the Highlands who have fallen on hard times. See the list in the annex if you are unsure of what to put into your trolley to donate. All non- perishable foods are most welcome.

TOILETRIES FOR REFUGEES Very many thanks to all who donated toiletries over the summer. A whole car load has been delivered to The Highlands Supports Refugees, and will be sent to organisations assisting refugees in various places in Europe at the first opportunity. There will be an opportunity to hear Hannah Sutherland of that organisation speak about its work at the February meeting of the Guild – details nearer the time.

LEPROSY MISSION Copies of The Leprosy Mission (Scotland) newsletter Dochas are available at the back of the Church. Please help yourself. TLM Trading Christmas catalogues are also available. Please feel free to take one home to browse and bring it back when you have finished with it. Individuals may order direct from TLM Trading - details in the catalogue - but Janet Winchester is willing to make a collective order, on which postage and packing will be free if the order totals £50 or more. To take advantage of this, please contact Janet (01349 865308) by the end of October.

WORLD MISSION COUNCIL NEWSLETTER The latest edition of this newsletter is now available. Entitled “Being International Faith family”, it focuses on the partnership between the Church of Scotland and the Ecumenical Church of the Czech Brethren, and also includes a report on a recent conference organised by the Council on the theme “Living together in a world of religions”. Those who receive “Life and Work” should find a copy in their magazine. There are some copies available at the back of the Church. Please help yourself.

CROSSREACH This is the final day for ordering the CrossReach calendar. This is to enable copies to be available to post abroad. There is a sample of the wall calendar to view and an appointments version, with the same pictures, can also be had. There is a list at the back of the Church or in the Church Hall. There is a catalogue from which you can order cards and sundries for Christmas. All this goes to support the work of the Social Responsibility arm of our Church. Your support is appreciated.

BLYTHSWOOD SHOEBOXES Leaflets regarding the 2018 appeal are available at the rear of the church and in the hall. Anyone wishing to fill a shoebox – or provide some items to be added to boxes – may hand their contribution to Mhairi Mackenzie during the weeks prior to Sunday 4th November.

GIFT DAY Up to last Sunday, our Gift Day total donations amounted to a magnificent £8,230 plus Gift Aid tax from the HMRC.

CHRISTIAN AID INDONESIA TSUNAMI APPEAL Christian Aid is one of 14 charities forming the DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) and has appealed for financial assistance to provide food, water, medicine and shelter to the survivors of this disaster in Indonesia. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause please contact Christian Aid in Glasgow on 0141 221 7475, email: glasgow@christian-aid.org or direct to DEC texting 'TELE' '70000' to give £5, call 0370 60 60 900 or log in to DEC.ORG.UK

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

But the wisdom from above is in the first place pure; and then peace-loving, considerate and open-minded; it is straightforward and sincere, rich in compassion and in deeds of kindness that are its fruit. Peace is the seed-bed of righteousness, and the peacemakers will reap its harvest.

James 3: 17-18 (Revised English Bible)

- † 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 Council enews)
- † Pray for the Children's Care & Education Services of CrossReach. Give thanks for the staff team for their commitment during the challenging period of change. Pray for all the children and young people and staff as a new chapter is begun in the new school—Erskine Waterfront Campus. Pray for the survivors of childhood abuse and that they will find solace through the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry, National Confidential Forum and national initiatives of support. (CrossReach Prayer Diary)
- † Pray for Ethiopia, where there is not enough rain in certain areas of the country. Pray for wisdom and discernment for the government to deal with this continuous problem. Thank the Lord for funds from organisations in the Netherlands to support persons affected by leprosy and their communities to overcome the difficult period of drought. (Ask Leprosy Mission Prayer Diary)
- † Pray for each other in this congregation, these villages and communities in which we live and our neighbours. Pray that God will be in the midst of all that is being done to show the Gospel here by so many people to so many.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me! Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me! Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. (Daniell Iverson 1890-1977)

CRECHE All involved with the crèche - helpers, potential helpers and parents are invited to come to the Church hall on Monday 15th October at 10am to put the new toys into the crèche and decide what to do with the toys currently in use. There are also books and craft materials to deal with.