

## **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.

**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** Breakfast Club for nursery and primary children is today at 10.20am.

**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** From 1015-1045 each Sunday the posh room is available for prayer spoken and unspoken, for our church, for the world and for current needs. You can come and go within that time so no need to stay for the half an hour. Feel free to drop in.

**PASTORAL CARE TEAM** A phone call is all it takes to find out if the team can assist you. You can contact either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349861591), and we will do our best to help.

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY** A good start was made to the "Final Week" study for Lent when we looked at the Journey to Jerusalem. On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March we meet in the Church Hall at 1.30pm to continue "Into the Temple". We'd love you to join us at this time of study and reflexion. Whilst we do generate quite a lot of discussion, there is no expectation for participants to speak or read out loud. Sometimes it is just as useful to listen. A warm welcome awaits for anyone who'd like to try out this group.

**BUNDLES OF FUN** For all parents/carers, babies + toddlers, every Thursday in the hall from 1pm-2:30pm. Come along and relax over a cup of tea/coffee whilst you watch the children play.

**ANNUAL STATED MEETING** The Congregational Annual Stated Meeting will take place in the Church hall at 7pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Copies of the Trustees report are available for Elders to uplift.

**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 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**11.00am  
Morning Service**

**Rev'd Stephen Macdonald**

Welcome and Intimations

Dedication of Offering

**Hymn: 36** 'God is our refuge'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Address and Prayer

**Hymn: 641** 'Seek ye first'

Reading Matthew 11: 28 - 30 (*page 977 in Bible*)

**Hymn: 565** 'My life flows on in endless song'

Sermon

**Hymn: 466** 'Before the throne of God'

Benediction

### **Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Stephen Macdonald**

Welcome and Intimations

**Hymn: 425** 'The Saviour died, but rose again'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

**Hymn: 272** 'Father of peace'

Reading Galatians 5: 22-23 (*page 1172 in Bible*)

**Hymn: 502** 'Take my life, Lord, let it be'

Sermon

**Hymn: 520** 'Ye who the name of Jesus bear'

Benediction

**SERVICE THEME** As we are heading toward the end of the school term we will look at four precious sayings of Jesus over the next four Sundays. We will then finish off with a slightly different theme on the last Sunday (which is just at the start of the Easter holidays – 7<sup>th</sup> April). So, in total that gives us five weeks before the school break. 7<sup>th</sup> April is the last Sunday before Easter Holidays so it will be an Easter themed service with an Easter egg hunt for the children before the service.

The theme is as follows:

10<sup>th</sup> March - Matthew 11:28 - "Come to me"

17<sup>th</sup> March - Mark 1:17 - "Follow me"

24<sup>th</sup> March - Luke 22:19 - "Remember me"

31<sup>st</sup> March - John 15:4 - "Abide in me"

**RIVER CAFÉ** The next River Cafe takes place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March between 2pm and 3.30pm. This gives the opportunity to meet up with friends or even meet new ones. Why not come along (or drop in for a few minutes) for some tea/coffee, home bakes and the all important chat? We look forward to welcoming you there.

**HIGHLAND FOODBANK** There is a new container for your donations to make it easier to transport your very generous contributions to the car and to the pick-up point. Please still use carrier bags because they too are welcome for people to take food home from the foodbank. We are particularly asked for washing-up liquid, washing powder (small packets), ladies deodorant as well as pot noodles, tins of ham, diluting juice and Smash (dried potato). You know that all non-perishable food is most welcome at all times. Thank you.

**THE LEPROSY MISSION** This organisation, which the congregation has supported in the past, has put out an appeal for funds to repair and extend the work of its hospital at Anandaban in Nepal. Some of the buildings were destroyed in the 2015 earthquake and require permanent replacement. In addition, the fantastic work the hospital did as a government recognised disaster response centre has resulted in a huge increase in patients with problems other than leprosy seeking assistance there. The UK Government has pledged to double any funds raised for this purpose between 27<sup>th</sup> January and 27<sup>th</sup> April this year. The Kirk Session agreed we should organise a fund raising event here at Ferintosh, and we are working on this (any bright ideas welcome!). Further details will be made available soon, but in the meantime, with Lent starting this week, what about praying for the work of The Leprosy Mission, and putting aside the money you would otherwise spend on your favourite treat each week? Copies of The Leprosy Mission prayer diary "Ask" are available on the table at the back of the Church, and more can be ordered if required.

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

***I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, "Move from here to there" and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you. Matthew 17:20***

- † Pray for the work of Christian Aid during this period of Lent as it highlights the plight of those around the world affected by Climate Change. Pray in particular for the communities on small, remote islands in the Philippines such as Manlot. Lent is the ideal time to pause. Step back. Raise our awareness of things we take for granted. (Christian Aid Count Your Blessings booklet for 2019)
- † God of truth, grant to those who influence the thinking of governments your Spirit of truth. Remove from them all self-seeking. Help them to speak and act in the knowledge of your caring watchfulness, always remembering that of those to whom much is given, much will be required. We ask this in Jesu's name. (Prayer for Today's World)
- † Pray for good health for all and where people are ill, that they will have the Lord's help and the strength to get better. (CrossReach Prayer Diary)
- † Pray for yourself, your family and friends. God knows our every need but He loves to hear from us and what is troubling us or about the joys we experience. Give thanks for the many blessings we enjoy daily.

***John Knox on what prayer is: An earnest and familiar talking with God, to whom we declare our miseries, whose support and help we implore and desire in our adversities, and whom we laud and praise for our benefits received.***

**PRAYER DAY** The Church sanctuary will be open on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 10am - 3pm to provide a place for quiet reflection and prayer. This is in response to a local request to have a time and place available for any to call on God in light of the current uncertainty in the land. This initiative is also being encouraged by the current Moderator Rt. Reverend Susan Brown to allow all in the community to access a place set apart. Feel free to call in to the Church at any time that Saturday.