



Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Pentecost 8

Sunday 3 August 2014

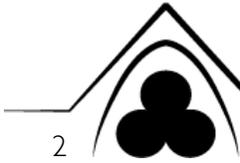
11 a.m.



You are very welcome to Ferryhill Parish Church.
Please sit wherever you like. If you are visiting then please sign the visitors' book in the foyer.

Children are always welcome and the foyer is available during the service should you wish to use it.

Today's worship is led by:
Cecilia Young (Member of Congregational Board)
Rev Peter Johnston (Minister)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Grace Baxter (Readings)
Alastair King (Beadle)



Order of Service

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Gathering Song

O come and join the dance

Mission Praise 489

Call to Worship

Leader: God of the burden

All: take my heavy load.

Leader: Jesus, teacher of sinners,

All: take my heavy load.

Leader: Enlivening Spirit

All: take my heavy load.

Leader: Come all who are weary,
to the one who will bear it all.

Praise

I danced in the morning

CH 404

Welcome and Church Notices

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us the wrong we have done,
as we forgive those who have wronged us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Video

Jesus and John the Baptist

Reading

Matthew, chapter 11, verses 16-19, 25-30

Praise

'We played the flute!'

Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

Tune: Gonfalon Royal (CH 184)

1. 'We played the flute!' the children said—
'you would not dance or join our game!
We wailed like those who grieve the dead,
and yet you would not do the same.'
2. When John would fast for many days,
the crowds would murmur and condemn;
yet they complained at Jesus' ways:
'He eats and drinks with those who sin!'
3. Forgive us, Lord, what we expect!
We want a faith that we control—
yet faith is not what we direct,
for it's your grace that makes us whole.
4. And when we let our burdens go
and take your yoke, and learn from you,
we'll find your rest, and then we'll know
your way, not ours, will see us through.

Dialogue

Something Missing

Message

In whose team are you?

The Offering

Offering Praise

Says Jesus, 'Come and gather round'

CH 473

Prayer of Dedication

remain standing

Generous God,

you gave everything through your Son,
to show us you love us.

Accept these offerings of money,
may they be a symbol of all that we offer
in the service of your kingdom.

Help us to be generous
with all of our gifts
and to share them willingly.

Amen.

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Responses used during the prayer:

Leader: Jesus said, 'Come to me
All: and I shall give you rest'.

Leader: Jesus said, 'Come to me,
**All: my yoke is easy
and my burden is light'.**

Leader: Jesus said, 'Come to me
All: and find rest for your souls'.

Leader: Jesus said, 'Come to me
**All: and learn from me,
I am humble and gentle in heart'.**

Praise

Sing of the Lord's goodness CH 157

The Sending

Said quietly

Leader: God of the quiet times,

All: speak peacefully to our souls.

Said loudly

Leader: God of the noisy times,

All: share our shouts of joy.

Said solemnly

Leader: God of the sad times,

All: comfort and console us.

Said with a smile

Leader: God of the happy times,

All: smile and laugh with us.

Leader: God of all people,

young or old,

silent or loud,

weighed down or untroubled,

All: may we find peace

in your presence

and rest in your love.

Sung Amen

Refreshments served in the Church Hall

During The Week

In this week, instead of going out to *do* something for God, pray every morning that God will let you hear and see what he wants you to do and listen for God's prompting that an opportunity to help someone or share a moment of faith is with you.

Every evening, take a moment to reflect on how God has helped you through the day and give thanks in prayer.

Every day, look around you and see where God is at work in all kinds of human beings around you who share the kingdom of God in ordinary ways.



1. **Filming for Summer Club:** We need a few folks after the service to help film a short clip for use at the Summer Club. Have a cuppa and then join in!
2. **Summer Club:** Please keep all the team in your prayers during the very busy week ahead as Ferryhill State Circus hits town.
3. **Parish News:** The Autumn issue is fast approaching, if you have any information to be included (particularly thinking about groups starting back up after the summer break) please send information/articles to Shelagh Bain at editor@ferryhillparishchurch.org.
4. **BBC Referendum Debate:** The BBC are looking for audience members for a televised debate taking place on 3 September in Aberdeen. You can register at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-25657131> if you would like to attend or have a question you would like to raise.
5. **Fairtrade Stall:** Stop by the stall today to see what's up for grabs!
6. **Instant Neighbour:** The food supply at Instant Neighbour has been running dry lately, and they are in desperate need of donations to help feed the hungry in our community. Please bring food items to the church to help this worthy cause.
7. **Used stamps for Oxfam:** Used stamps collected in the church are now being passed to Oxfam which can sell them on as part of their fundraising. Any stamps are welcome and will make money. Please do NOT remove them from the envelopes as the perforations on the edges are also collected and any damage to the stamps themselves makes them worthless. Ideally, they should be cut out with a margin of about half a centimetre all round, otherwise simply tear them out roughly from the envelope leaving some paper all around. Please put your stamps in the box under the pigeonholes in the atrium.
8. **Next Sunday** the service will be the culmination of the Roll Up For The Circus Summer Club so please come along and support the children and team.



This Week's Eco Tip

Foods in season in July

This month is a great time to enjoy cherries and other soft fruits such as strawberries and raspberries. On the veggie front, look out for broad beans, beetroots, radishes and artichokes.



Contacts

Please contact the Minister, Rev Peter Johnston, for information about Church Membership, Baptism, or being married in Church, or complete one of the cards available in the Hymn Book and hand it in as you leave.

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