



Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Sunday 19 March 2017

11 a.m.



RULEBREAKER

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.

Please note that we are experimenting with live streaming of worship. If you do not wish to be seen on the broadcast stream, the seating below the gallery and in the gallery is beyond the view of the cameras.

Today's worship is led by:

Peter Johnston (Minister)

Yvonne Haig (Reader)

Kevin Haggart (Organist)

Doug Guy (Beadle)

The flowers today have been donated by Jean Harley, remembering family.



Gathering Praise Father God, I wonder CH 186

Call to Worship

Leader: Holy One,
we gather this day, coming just as we are,

**All: we are lost, waiting to be found,
we are searching, hoping to rejoice.**

Leader: Accept all we bring before you today,

All: accept our worship, we pray.

Praise The Lord's my shepherd CH 14

Welcome and Church Notices

Opening 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.

All-Age Message Lost and found

Sacrament of Baptism

Ben William Craib

Prayer

The Baptism

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you;
and be gracious unto you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Presentations

Prayer

Praise

For God so loved the world

Words and Music: Peter Johnston

*Chorus: For God so loved the world,
sent his only Son to earth;
through his love he reconciled
and freed us to new birth.*

1. In a world of joy and pain,
he felt the same,
and lived among us.
Jesus taught of God above
and of his love,
his mercy righteous.
For God so loved the world...
2. Searching out that one lost sheep,
the coin to keep,
is God's own standard.
Jesus dined with outcast men,
he called them friends;

but rulers slandered.

For God so loved the world...

3. As the crowds shout 'crucify'
he did defy
the hate-filled voices.
As they marched him to the hill
the world stood still
and faced its choices.

Bridge: Will we follow where he leads?
Welcome people whatever their needs?
Will we stand where Jesus stands,
fight for justice in every land?
Will we join his mission clear,
spread good news for all to hear?
The time is now to play our part
with mind and soul and all of our heart.

Chorus: *For God so loved the world,
sent his only Son to earth;
through his love he reconciled
and freed us to new birth.*

Children Leave for Sunday Club

Reading Luke chapter 15, verses 1-10

Praise **God's great love is so amazing**
Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
Tune: Converse (CH 547)

1. **God's great love is so amazing!**
See—a shepherd with his flocks!
Ninety-nine are safely grazing;
one is lost among the rocks.

That good shepherd goes and searches
till he finds the one astray.
So God says to fill our churches
with the ones who've lost their way.

2. God in love is always seeking!
See—a woman with her broom!
For a single coin she's sweeping
every corner of the room.
When it's found she calls each neighbour,
telling friends from all around.
So God says to search and labour
till God's precious ones are found.
3. God keeps waiting, searching, yearning!
See — a father's heartfelt joy!
Thankful for his son's returning,
he runs out to greet his boy.
To the angry older brother,
hear the father's patient call.
So God says to love each other,
for in Christ, God loves us all.

Reading

Luke chapter 15, verses 11-32

Lost and Found

Message

A heart for the lost

The Offering

Offering Praise

Love is the touch of intangible joy

CH 115

Act of Dedication

Please remain standing

Holy One,
just as you show us the ways

in which you wish us to live,
may you show us how to use these gifts
of service and money
to seek those who are lost,
to bring wholeness to the broken,
and to welcome those
who are misguided in thinking
that they are beyond your love and forgiveness.
Amen.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

Praise	Through the love of God, our Saviour	CH 562
Sending		
Sung Amen	Amen, amen, alleluia, amen. Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.	



- 1. Evening Worship and Holy Communion:** Join us for a time of reflection **this evening** in the Memorial Chapel at **6.00 p.m.**
- 2. Notice to Trustees:** The Trustees will meet **after worship today** to approve the statement of annual accounts and proposed budget prior to submission at the **Congregational Stated Annual meeting** next **Sunday 26th March.**
- 3. Concordia String Orchestra:** Will be performing in the church on **Saturday 25 March at 7:30 p.m.** The programme of music will include Finzi, German, Tchaikovsky, Fauré, Purcell and Beethoven. Tickets £8/£5 available at the door or from the website at www.concordiastringorchestra.org.uk
- 4. The Cosy House:** We will meet next on **Sunday 26 March at 6.30 p.m.** in the Foyer for fun and fellowship.
- 5. Monday Fellowship:** We meet again on **Monday 27 March at 2:15 p.m.** when our minister, Rev Peter Johnston will spend the afternoon with us.
- 6. The Guild:** Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 5 April at 7.30 p.m.** Gill Lyth will share our evening with us and talk about “Care for the Family”.
- 7. The Living Well Project:** With a view to a Living Well Cafe opening here on 20th April and another area within the city in the near future there are vacancies for a Cafe Assistant and an Administrator. Information on these posts can be found on the poster in the Atrium. The **closing date** for applications is **Friday 24th March 2017.**
- 8. Traidcraft Stall:** The new Spring 2017 catalogue has arrived and you can pick one up from the stall. It contains lots of lovely new products for your home and garden as well as Easter cards, decorations and, of course, chocolate eggs. Or check out the website www.traidcraftshop.co.uk for an even greater range. Order through the church stall and you won't have to pay postage.



This Week's Eco Tip

Bee friendly Gardening

When buying plants or seeds for your garden remember to choose bee friendly flowers . Bees prefer the old fashioned, single blooms and semi wild plants like foxgloves. And avoid the use of pesticides!



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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