

Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Sunday 2 April 2017

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.

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)
Diane Cumming (Reader)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Yvonne Haig (Beadle)

The flowers today have been donated by Duncan & Yvonne Haig celebrating their wedding anniversary and their son's forthcoming wedding.

The flowers in the Chapel have been donated by Efe Dawson, in loving memory of Julian & Jean Dawson.



Gathering Praise Jubilate, everybody CH 65

Call to Worship

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

**All: eyes often unseeing,
ears often deaf,
yet we seek to see and hear as you would
have us.**

Leader: Accept all we bring before you today,

All: accept our worship, we pray.

Praise How lovely is thy dwelling place CH 52

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 Drawn to the Light

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| Praise | I am the church! You are the church! | CH 204 |
| Children Leave for Sunday Club | | |
| Reading | Luke chapter 18, verse 31- chapter 19, verse 10 | |
| Praise | O Christ, the healer, we have come | CH 717 |
| Message | Helping the blind to see | |
| The Offering | | |
| Offering Praise | I was a stranger Words & Music: Peter Johnston | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I was a stranger when I saw him as he told his friends farewell. He was weary and he asked me for a drink from Jacob's well. Now I know men, it's no secret, but not like this man; he saw through me, he spoke truly, and a whole new life began. 2. I was a stranger when I saw him as he strolled through Jericho, then he looked up in the treetop and said home with me he'd go. I heard grumbling from the people but I did not care. All my stealing, crooked dealing, it would stop: they'd have their share. 3. I was a stranger when I saw him shining light in endless dark. His hands touched me and he asked me, | |

“Can you see?” was his remark.
 “I see people,” I said to him,
 “like trees walking round.”
 Once again he touched my eyes, “See!”
 Now my life in him I’ve found.

4. We all are strangers when we meet him,
 yet he welcomes us the same,
 “Come and follow and you shall grow
 into friends that share my name.”
 We are children of the one God,
 we’re strangers no more,
 for Christ Jesus walks beside us,
 walks behind and walks before.

Act of Dedication

Please remain standing

When you called people to you, Lord,
 there was always a response.
 Folk gave of themselves
 and others were changed.
 You call us
 and so we respond with these our gifts.
 May our giving
 transform the lives of others.
 In Jesus’ name,
 Amen.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

Praise

Jesus calls us here to meet him
 Tune: Blaenwern

CH 510

Sending

Sung Amen

Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.
 Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Sunday 9 April (Palm Sunday)

11:00 Worship for all ages - "Hosanna".

Thursday 13 April

19:00 Maundy Thursday Service

"Broken" - with simple meal and celebration of Lord's Supper.

Friday 14 April

19:00 Good Friday Service

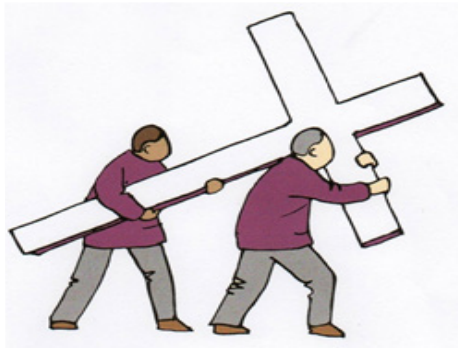
"Darkness" - an interactive service suitable for all ages

Sunday 16 April (Easter Sunday)

07:30 Easter Dawn Service in the Duthie Park followed by breakfast in the Church hall.

09:30 Holy Communion in the Memorial Chapel.

11:00 Worship for all ages - "Resurrection".



ABERDEEN CHURCHES TOGETHER WALK OF WITNESS - 14 APRIL 2017

Our Ecumenical urban pilgrimage will commence at 11.30 a.m. at St. Andrew's Cathedral, King Street, Aberdeen. We will then follow the route outlined below:

- Location 1 - St Andrew's Cathedral, King Street
- Location 2 - St. Peter's Catholic Church, Castlegate
- Location 3 - Salvation Army Citadel, Castlegate
- Location 4 - St Nicholas Street – open air venue
- Location 5 - Kirk of St. Nicholas Uniting, Union Street
- Location 6 - Crown Terrace Baptist Church
- Location 7 - Crown Terrace Methodist Church

Following the final location we will gather at the Religious Society of Friends (Quaker) Meeting House (98 Crown Street) for refreshments.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR ALL OR PART OF THE JOURNEY.



1. **Cafe Connect:** Join us **this evening at 7 p.m.** for fellowship in the foyer. A reminder too that our next meeting will take place on 7 May due to the school Easter holidays.
2. **Friendship Team:** We will meet in the Sanctuary following morning worship **today!**
3. **Cowdray Club:** The next service held at the Cowdray Club Care Home will be on **Wednesday 5 April at 11 a.m.**
4. **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”.
5. **Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire Eco Network:** Will meet on **Tuesday 18 April** at Mannofield Church starting at **7pm**. Speakers will be Gordon Hudson from Eco Congregations Scotland and Glenn Roberts who will talk about NESBReC (North East of Scotland Biological Records Centre) and wildlife recording. All are welcome
6. **City-Wide Prayer Gathering:** Join us at St Mark’s Church, Rosemount Viaduct on **21st April** from **7:30 - 9 p.m.**
7. **Aberdeen Strathspey and Reel Society** present an Evening of Scottish Music on **Saturday 22 April at 7.30 p.m.** in Ferryhill Church. Tickets cost £5 and are available from Yvonne Haig and also at the door.
8. **Traidcraft Stall:** Easter is only a few weeks away and we have a lovely selection of Easter goodies. There are hand made baskets with Fairtrade chocolate eggs, hand painted eggs and crosses to decorate your home, Easter cards, large chocolate eggs, knitted chicks with creme eggs and Shaun the Sheep chocolate lollies. Proceeds will be donated to Traidcraft’s Let it Grow appeal.
9. **Easter cards:** Will be available for purchase in the Foyer today.
10. **Summer Club:** Advanced notice for your diaries: This year’s fun-filled Summer Club for Primary School-aged children will be taking place every morning from **Monday 7 to Sunday 13 August**. Look out for details on posters and in the next issue of Parish News.
11. **Polling Day:** As part of the local government elections the church will be used as a polling station **ALL DAY** on **Thursday 4 May**.

Useful Information



This Week's Eco Tip

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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