



Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Pentecost 16
9 September 2018
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, Yvonne Haig (Readers)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Alastair King (Beadle)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated this week by the Flower Committee.



Gathering Praise Lord, I lift your name on high CH 558

Call to Worship

Leader: Naked we come before God,

**All: but we want more than Eden can offer,
so we listen to the voices of this world.**

Leader: So, God comes to us and lovingly clothes us.

**All: Let us wear the clothes of God and not of the
world:**

the belt of truth;

the breastplate of righteousness;

the shoes of gospel peace;

the shield of faith;

the helmet of salvation.

Leader: Naked we are no more,

so let us wear the clothes of God.

Let us worship God our Creator and Redeemer.

Praise Praise to the Holiest in the height CH 378

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

Praise

Losing it all

Why?

Words & music: Stephen Fischbacher

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1. Why does time go quickly when you're having fun
Why does time go slowly when you're having none
Do I have to do it now, I'd so much rather play
And why can't every day be just like Christmas Day
Can anybody give me an answer,
Can anybody give me an answer?
Why, oh, why, I'm asking
Please will you tell me why, y, y, y
Why, oh, why, I'm asking,
Please will you tell me why?
2. Why do chips and sweets taste so very good
And why do adults spoil it and call it junk food
And do I have to go to bed I want to watch the telly
I don't want to have a bath I don't mind being smelly
Can anybody give me an answer,
Can anybody give me an answer?
Why, oh, why...
3. Why do some have so much while others none at all
Why are some so hungry while others have a ball
Why are some so healthy, while others are so ill
Why are some so loving, while others want to kill?

Can anybody give me an answer,
 Can anybody give me an answer?
Why, oh why...

Children leave for Sunday Club

Reading

Genesis 3: 1-24

Praise

In paradise

Words: Peter Johnston; Tune: SONG 1, Orlando Gibbons

1. In paradise amidst the garden grew
 a tree that bore rich fruit of knowledge pure,
 the serpent's wiles did God's command undo
 as Adam followed Eve into life's stoor:
 their eyes wide open, now the truth revealed,
 naked and frightened, innocence concealed.
2. Would that this story only once took place
 in distant land and ancient time long past,
 but we all know as we come face to face
 with our own choices we become outcast:
 the oceans teem with shards of plastic waste,
 and changing climate meets with little haste.
3. We who are made in God's own image share
 with all creation in this blessed land,
 may we mature in thought and tender care
 and understand the consequence at hand:
 this world is ours to steward in God's stead,
 and follow steps of wisdom where they tread.

Reading

Ezekiel 28: 13-18

Message

Growing Up

The Offering

Offering Praise Longing for light CH 543

Act of Dedication *Please remain standing*

Generous God,
giver of all gifts,
what can we bring?
What do you desire of us?
We bring our money
as a sign and symbol
of our very selves.
You deserve our all.
Take and use this money
for the work of your kingdom,
at home and abroad.
May it be used creatively
and wisely.
Amen.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

Praise Courage, brother! do not stumble CH 513

Blessing

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

City-wide Prayer Gatherings, Aberdeen 2018
Friday evenings – 7.30pm – 9pm



**For the City
 For the Issues
 For the refugees**



**For the People
 For the World
 For Christ**

19th January	Mannofield Parish Church
16th February	St Mary's Episcopal Church, Cove
16th March	Bridge of Don Oldmachar Church
20th April	Ferryhill Parish Church
18th May	Summerhill Parish Church
15th June	Kirk of St Nicholas Uniting
20th July	South Holburn Parish Church
10th August	Kings Community Church
21st September	Woodside Parish Church
19th October	St Nicholas South of Kincorth
16th November	Midstocket Parish Church
14th December	St Mary's Parish Church

Seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper. (Jeremiah 29:7)



- 1. Fundraising Meeting:** There will be a quick meeting in the church after the service today, to discuss future fundraising events. If you have any ideas or would like to help with fundraising, please pick up a coffee and come along.
- 2. Ferryburn Fellowship:** Our youth group will meet this evening at 6.30 p.m. in the large hall and foyer.
- 3. Poppies:** We are planning a display of poppies outside the church door for the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI. Please get those knitting needles out again! We need poppies in red (and some in white): knitted, crocheted or felt, in fact made in any material that will stand up to rain. There are some knitting and crochet patterns available in the Foyer near the coffee shop till, but feel free to use your own. Please put your poppies in the box provided in the Atrium by the end of October.
- 4. Big Issue Aberdeen - a plea from St Mark's Church.** As an initiative by the former grouping of St Mark's, Queen Street and Kirk of St Nicholas Uniting churches, a distribution centre was set up at Queen Street Church for the Big Issue in Aberdeen. Since the union of St Mark's and Queen Street, the magazine is distributed from St Mark's Church on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. and Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

In the 10 years since this initiative began, volunteer numbers have dropped and they are looking for additional people to assist in the distribution task. If you can commit to one 2.5 hour shift per month or would like more details, please contact Kathleen Innes at kathleen.innes16@icloud.com or tel 07799 768629.

- 5.** The University of Aberdeen's Centre for Spirituality Disability and Health has recently commenced a new initiative aimed at creating communities where people with learning disabilities and those without can come together to develop Christ-like friendships. The new '**Friendship House**' community will initially gather once per month, for a time of fellowship, music, art and various activities. There will also be other activities such as art classes, a community choir, worship evenings, storytelling and other interesting ways of being together. Anyone interested in joining this journey or who would like to discuss things further should contact: friendshiphouse@abdn.ac.uk
- 6. Instant Neighbour:** Please continue to bring donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries to support those in need in our community.

Useful Information



Eco-Tip

Check your chimney

If you have and use your chimney, get it checked now before the temptation to have a nice hot fire in the evening gets too strong. Debris in your chimney can catch fire if it's not cleaned out.



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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