



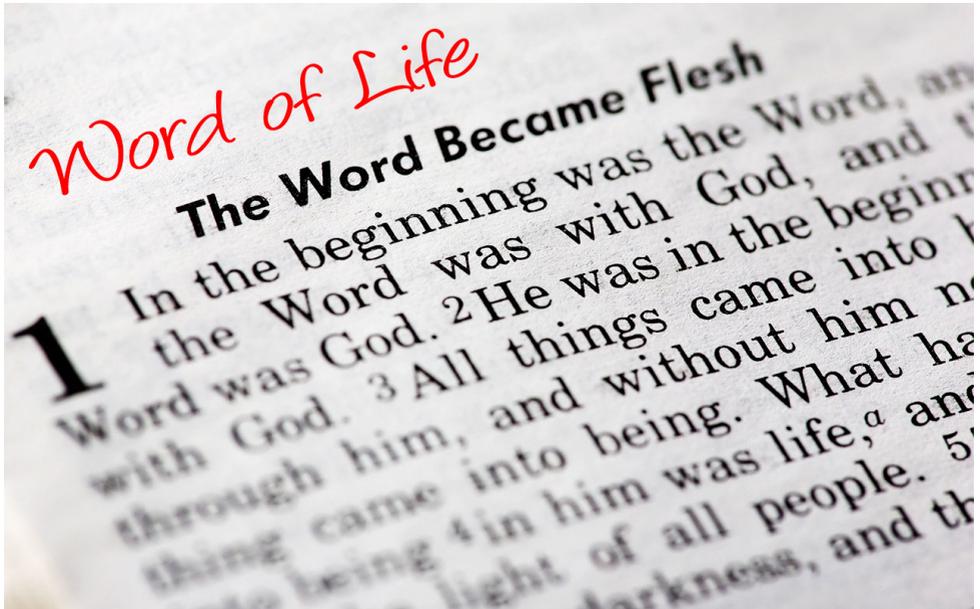
Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Day of Epiphany

5 January 2020

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), Conor Fegan (Ministry Candidate)
Diane Cumming (Reader)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Bill Mitchell (Beadle)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated this week by Ida Scott and family, remembering Brian with love.



Gathering Reading John 1: 1-5

Gathering Song Before the world began CH 317

Call to Worship

Leader: May we find that Word
that is the first of all words,

**All: the Word
that holds every word.**

Leader: May we speak that Word

All: and let it take its shape in love.

Leader: May we reimagine that Word

All: within our living and the lives of each other.

Leader: May we gather around that Word

**All: and let that Word gather us,
name us,
come among us,
and call us its own.**

Praise Immortal, invisible CH 132

Welcome and Church Notices

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated
 at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge
 the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting.

Opening Prayer

Readings

Ephesians 1: 3-14
 John 1: 10-18

Praise

Your Word is like a lamp, O Lord

Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette;

Tune: O WALY WALY (CH 234)

1. Your word is like a lamp, O Lord,
 and like a light to guide our way;
 for in this ever-changing world,
 it bears your promise every day.
2. You showed your love to Israel,
 and to the world you sent your Son.
 A witness without parallel,
 the scriptures tell what you have done.
3. You speak your word in history,
 to cultures bound by time and place.
 Yet in the Bible we can see
 the boundless reaching of your grace.

4. God, open wide each heart and mind
by your own Spirit, now we pray,
that in your scriptures we may find
new strength to serve you every day.

The Power of Words

Offering Praise I heard the voice of Jesus say CH 540

Act of Dedication

Living Word,
we come to you, the source of all that is,
with reverence and joy,
knowing that in your presence
we find life in all its rich fullness.

We come as your children,
seeking to live into your Word,
and committing ourselves into service
through our time and talents,
our resources and zeal,
wanting to make a difference
in our community and church,
for the sake of your kingdom.
Amen.

Message The Most Profound Comma

The Invitation

Praise Ye gates CH 19

Preparation

Prayers of Thanks and Concern

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: We lift up our hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus and Benedictus

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Ascription of Glory

**All: Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and forever.**

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The Peace of Christ

Prayer

Praise

At the name of Jesus

CH 458

Blessing

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all,
evermore.

Sung Amen

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



1. **Church Guilds:** Neighbouring churches have the following Guild meets coming up: South Holburn Church host Rev Bob Brown on Monday 6 January at 2 p.m.; Holburn West Church meet on Tuesday 7 January at 2 p.m. for a corn dollies demonstration; and Torry St Fittick's Guild hold a bring & buy sale on Tuesday 7 January at 7.30 p.m.
2. **Co-ordinating Group:** We will meet in the Upper Room on Thursday 9 January at 7.15 p.m.
3. **Ferryburn Fellowship:** Our youth group resumes next Sunday 12 January in the large hall at 6.30 p.m. We look forward to welcoming you then.
4. **Coffee Shop Break:** Our Coffee shop is still closed for the annual break. We will reopen on Monday 13 January.
5. **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

Don't be foiled

When a recipe suggests wrapping chicken, fish or vegetables in foil before cooking, try a lidded dish instead. Instead of lining with foil, just try a baking sheet. It'll taste just as good, and saves wasting aluminium foil which is resource-intensive to produce.



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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