



We seek to invite, encourage  
and enable all ages to  
follow Jesus Christ.

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Sunday 21st March 2021

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

Hymn **MP-1024 All my days**

Hymn **MP-1003 My Jesus, My Saviour**

Hymn **MP-454 Majesty**

*We ask for God's help and listen for Him speaking to us*

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Rev Scott Burton)

Community Corner

Praise **Deep down**

Scripture Reading: Mark 9:30-50 (Ann Herd)

Prayers for Others (Irene Stewart)

Hymn **MP-582 Rock of ages**

Message

*We respond to God*

Hymn **MP-1201 Longing for light**

Benediction and Threefold Amen

## Changes and Updates are highlighted in blue

### Welcome to Worship:

Church is not a building – it is the family of God's people and we are delighted that you are able to join us this morning.

### Keep in touch and informed

As well as our new church website [www.brightonschurch.org.uk](http://www.brightonschurch.org.uk) we are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube. If you use these apps then why not follow us – here are the links:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/brightonsparishchurch>

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/brightonschurch>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/brightonsparishchurch/>

YouTube: <http://live.brightonschurch.org.uk/>

### Prayer for the Nation – 21st March to 3rd April

Christians in every part of the UK have been joining together in prayer at 7pm on a Sunday and we would like to encourage you to keep setting this time aside. **New prayer points** are available on the website prayer page.

### Being Community – we are still here for you

**As we continue in lockdown**, if you are self-isolating and need help with shopping, prescriptions or a friendly phone call then contact the church office on **01324 713855** and leave a message – we will get back to you.

### For your prayers – Mary Munro

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Mary Munro last Sunday. Please remember her husband John, son Kenneth, daughter-in-law Tracy, granddaughter Louise, brothers Ian and Roy and the wider family at this time. Mary's funeral will be on March 25th at 1.45pm at Falkirk Crematorium. It will be live-streamed. Information and login details available at <https://www.thomascuthellandsons.co.uk/attend-funeral/obituaries/mary-munro-1>

### For your prayers – Joe Hampson

We learned, with sadness, of the death, on Friday, of Joe Hampson after a long illness. Please pray for his wife Isobel, son Derek, daughter Sandra and the family at this time. Funeral arrangements will be advised later.

### Grace Course

This course will be run from 14th April on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. For further details and the Zoom login, please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk)

## [Opening up the church for worship](#)

Following the announcement that churches are able to be open for worship from Sunday 26th March, we are reinstating the system that we used before Christmas such that you can book a place leaving a message on the church office phone (01324 713855) or emailing [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) . For all services from Palm Sunday, including Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, please use these contact details to confirm attendance and book a place. Please request this at least three days before services. We hope to allow at least 35 of a congregation, possibly more.

## [‘Breathing in’ online event](#)

This time of year is when we normally have our annual ‘Breathing In’ event. This year, despite finding ourselves in lockdown and unable to meet in person, we would like to make space for you to ‘Breathe In’ again. We are aware that many people are living very busy lives, and may be experiencing Zoom fatigue, so we have planned this year's event to take this into account.

On March 27th at 10am we would like to invite you to join us for ‘Breathing in’ online. We will begin with a time of fellowship before giving you time to engage with some prayer and reflection activities. We are planning to finish at 11am. The event is open to anyone who is or has been involved in children’s and youth work but also parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. If you are interested in finding out more and getting the Zoom link, email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk)

## [From Elwyn Batt](#)

We have received an email on behalf of Elwyn, from his daughter-in-law, which reads:

*I am sending this email on behalf of Elwyn Batt who wishes to express his thanks to all his friends at the church. And also on behalf of the wider family we would like to say a big thank you for all the love and support Elwyn and Menna have received.*

Elwyn’s own words are these:

*To all our friends at Brightons Parish Church*

*We put these words together to recognise the thoughtful care and love we have received from so many people.*

*We are going through a very tough time and the value of support has been essential and very humbling.*

*The number of telephone messages, flowers, letters and cards which are all round the room are so uplifting.*

*It is so wonderful to be in the presence of those who are blessed by the Lord. Your presence changes the surroundings, what you do and what you say and where you go are God's way of living a blessing to those around.*

*We want to say thank you very much for what I would say is essential to have people who are sharing our load of anxiety.*

*I believe that however great a challenge is we can say together **God is in control.***

*You are all expressing God's Eternal Love and Wonderful Grace and I say again our whole family have been uplifted and a special blessing has been transferred from God's disciples to our benefit.*

*Blessings and thankful for you all*

*Elwyn*

### **Bible Reading Notes**

Daily Bread Bible Reading Notes for April to June are now available, price £5.00. If you would like these then please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) and we will arrange to deliver them to you.

### **Tuesday Evenings on YouTube**

**Tuesday 23rd March** will be a topic on "Practical Prayer"

**Tuesday 30th March** is a 5th Tuesday so no YouTube that week

### **Service Recordings**

The most recent copies of our services are now available to listen to on your home phone or mobile including Sunday worship, Tuesday sermon and recent special Tuesday events.

**You now only need call one number: 01324 468811**

Call the number, choose which service you wish, wait 30 seconds and the recording will play!

### **Thursday Evening Live Prayer**

Join us for a time of prayer on Thursday evening from 8.15 pm – on YouTube and Zoom – if you would like to join then email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) for login details.

### **Thanks to those who contributed in different ways to today's service**

Laura Eckles, Ann Herd, Neil Matheson, Jack McManus, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Ewan Norton, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith, Irene Stewart.