

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

Sunday 1st May 2022

Scripture reading: Nehemiah 1:4,11; 2:1-9, page 484

Welcome to Worship, keep in touch and informed

Church is not a building – it is the family of God's people, and we are delighted that you are able to join us today. We are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website as well as revisiting previous sermon videos and texts.

Thy Kingdom Come Prayer – 1st to 14th May

Christians across the UK have been setting time aside for prayer at 7pm on a Sunday and we would like to encourage this. New prayer points are on the website.

Minister's Holidays

Please note that Scott will be on holiday from 13th – 15th May inclusive. Any pastoral care issues should be directed to Ian Baillie.

Christian Aid Week 15th to 21st May

The red envelope will be included with the Newssheet on Sunday 15th May. There will also be an opportunity to give electronically if preferred.

There will also be a Kiltwalk taking place across Scotland in October. Further details of this can be obtained from Maralyn Stirling.

You can also purchase a Quiz where the theme is Food and Drink. These are available from 1st May and can be purchased from Maralyn Stirling for £1 each. Feel free to also invite your family and friends to try this fun guiz.

Joint Upper Braes Service - Sunday 29th May

The Kirk Sessions of the Upper Braes Churches have agreed to hold a joint service in Slamannan Community Centre on Sunday 29th May 11am. There will be no other services across the Upper Braes that Sunday. We plan to offer mini-bus transport, if you do not have your own – booking details to follow.

Brightons Parish Church Memorial/Bereavement Service

We invite you, your family and friends to join us at Brightons Parish Church on **Sunday, 15th May, 2022 at 3pm** when we will be holding a Bereavement / Memorial Service. It will be a time of Remembrance and Reflection for all of us, and for those we have loved and lost, especially during the last two years. We do hope to see you there. Tea / Coffee will be served in the Rankine Hall after the Service.

Bright Lights

The deadline for articles for the next issue of Bright Lights is Sunday 8th May. Please submit any articles to <u>info@brightonschurch.org.uk</u>. Any handwritten articles should be passed to Scott or Eric.

Card Stall

On 1st and 8th May there will be a card stand at the front entrance of the Church. Why not bless your Christian and non-Christian friends and family with Christian cards as a way of gently sharing your faith and showing God's love to those around us? There will be a range of designs of different categories including "praying for you", "thinking of you" and sympathy cards. There will be an honesty box to cover the costs.

Falkirk Foodbank

Do you know where your next meal is coming from? If the answer is "Yes" then you are very blessed. Falkirk Foodbank requires more donations of tinned and packet food. Donations can be brought to the Church and left inside the entrances.

Christians Against Poverty

Good news! Fiona of Forth Valley CAP project has reported another client has gone debt free, the second one this month.

CAP is doing such good work in the lives of people who cannot cope with money problems. Praise the Lord!

Sunday Morning Tea and Coffee

We are planning to start the Teas and Coffees again after the morning Service from 15th May. If you would like to consider helping out with this, please email heather.oneill5@btinternet.com.

Monthly Picture Video

Once a month we take the opportunity to share some of our lives through pictures, so please have your latest Kodak moments in by this Thursday (5th May) to info@brightonschurch.org.uk.

Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Thursday evening from 8.15 pm – this will be on Zoom only this week – email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for login details if you would like to join.

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

Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, Neil Matheson, Alistair McDonald, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith, our Choir.