

**Welcome! We join in the sanctuary and online to worship God in the Name
of Jesus Christ. Our worship together is led today by Rev Anne Job.**

Scripture reading: John 1: 1-9 (Page 1063) and John 3: 16-21 (Page 1066)

There will be groups available for children and young people today,
and a creche room with live-streaming of the service is also offered.

Order of Service – Sunday 15th January 2023

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to worship

Hymn MP 307 I will enter His gates

Hymn MP 445 Shine, Jesus, shine

All Together Time

Hymn MP 54 Bind us together, Lord

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: **John 1:1-9, John 3:16-21**

Cilla Graudus

Anthem by Choir

Prayer for Others

Eric Smith

Hymn MP 1201 Longing for light

Message

We respond to God

Hymn MP 862 I'll go in the strength of the Lord

Benediction and Threefold Amen

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.

Today’s Service

We welcome Rev Anne Job to lead this morning’s worship.

Minister’s Holiday

Scott is back from holiday as from tomorrow – we pray that he has returned refreshed.

Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Sunday mornings 10.15 to 10.30am in the small hall, or Thursday evenings at 8.15pm on Facebook, You Tube and Zoom. (email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join).

Thank you

Charles and Nancy Lees would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes, condolences and sympathy cards following the death of Charles’ father, Peter.

Friendship Plus

The Friendship Plus group will be meeting on Wednesday 18th January, with an earlier start time of 1pm. A warm welcome is extended to anyone who would like to attend. Please contact Jessie Wallace on 01324 712740 for further information.

Deacons’ Court and Kirk Session

The next Deacons’ Court meeting will be on Tuesday 24th January at 7.45pm in the Rankine Hall. It will be followed by a Kirk Session meeting on the same evening.

Half Hour Service

The next half-hour Thursday service will be on 26th January at 11.30am in the church.

Membership Classes

We will be running membership classes over the period 25th January to 8th February 2023 at 7.30pm, as we have some people interested. If you are also interested in exploring membership as part of our church family here at Brightons then please speak to Scott.

Girls’ Brigade

1st Polmont Girls’ Brigade are holding a coffee evening on Wednesday 25th January. from 6.45 - 8pm. All welcome to come & join us for this event. Entry by donation.

Israel and Palestine Fundraising Lunch – Sunday 29th January

With one month to go until our trip, the young people and leaders have a little bit final fundraising to accomplish, so are holding a soup and sandwich lunch on Sunday 29th January after the morning service. Donations upon entry – join us!

Wallacestone Primary School Scripture Union Group

We are looking to restart the SU group at the local primary school after the February break on a Friday lunchtime, but we are currently needing 2 extra helpers, attending on a fortnightly or monthly basis. If able to get involved, please speak with Scott.

Slamannan – Martha's Pantry

On behalf of Martha's Pantry, Rev Monica MacDonald would like to thank all who have generously contributed food donations, which all will greatly help this outreach in the villages of Slamannan and Limerigg. Now that the word is spreading around the area, we have already been of help to our first visitors. We pray that with God's help and the support we receive through donations, we can continue to bring much needed help to families that are currently struggling to make ends meet. We currently need supplies of cooking oil, sugar (1kg bags), tinned meat and tinned potatoes. If you would like to help in Martha's Pantry, please contact Rev Monica MacDonald at monica.macdonald@churchofscotland.org.uk or on 07783 102874.

Falkirk Foodbank

We continue to support Falkirk Foodbank long term and donations can be brought to the Church and placed at either the front or back doors in the boxes provided (labelled for Falkirk). Donations such as tinned food, pasta and long-life milk are particularly welcome.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Jessie Wallace.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Frances McCabe.

Delivery next week will be Lesley Baillie.

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

Jill Dickson, Cilla Graudus, Ewan McManus, Richard McManus, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith and the Choir.

The Week Ahead at Brightons

| Date | Time | Activity |
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| Monday 16 th January | 2.00 pm | Art Group |
| | 7.30 pm | Guild Committee Meeting |
| Tuesday 17 th January | 9.30 am | Pre 5s |
| | 1.00 pm | Pre 5s |
| | 6.15 pm | BB Anchor Boys |
| | 7.45 pm | Communications Team Meeting |
| Wednesday 18 th January | 10.15 am | Braes Ministry Team Meeting |
| | 1.00 pm | Friendship Plus |
| | 6.15 pm | GB Juniors |
| | 7.00 pm | Pastoral Care Team Meeting |
| | 7.30 pm | GB Brigaders |
| | 7.30 pm | Band Practice |
| | 7.30 pm | Israel and Palestine Trip Meeting |
| Thursday 19 th January | 10.00 am | Coffee Morning |
| | 6.15 pm | GB Explorers |
| | 6.45 pm | Friends of Jesus |
| | 7.45 pm | Choir |
| | 8.15 pm | Prayer Meeting |
| Friday 20 th January | 6.15 pm | BB Juniors |
| | 7.30 pm | BB Company |
| Sunday 22 nd January | 10.15 am | Congregational Prayer Time |
| | 11.00 am | Morning Service (Live Streamed) |
| | 11.00 am | Sunday School Groups |

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