



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

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**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 Scott Burton.**

**Order of Service – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

Scripture reading: John 5:1-18 (page 1068)

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

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

**Hymn MP-1151 Amazing grace**

**Hymn MP-1008 The Lord's my Shepherd**

All Together Time

**Hymn – Be bold, be strong**

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: (Sandra Anderson)

The Choir: 'In loving kindness'

Prayer for Others (Richard McManus)

**Hymn MP-1116 There is a higher throne**

Message

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-975 Before the throne of God above**

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](http://www.brightonschurch.org.uk). You can download material from the website as well as revisiting previous sermon videos and texts.

## **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, YouTube and Zoom. (email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) for Zoom login details if you would like to join).

## **Mary Arneil**

It is with sadness that we intimate the death of Miss Mary Arneil, last Sunday. Mary's funeral will be on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March in Falkirk Crematorium at 12.15pm and at Mary's request "preferably not black clothing but colours". Please remember in your prayers those who will miss Mary.

## **Evening Service**

The next monthly evening service will be next Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm. All are welcome.

## **Half Hour Service**

The next Half Hour Service will take place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am.

## **Deacons' Court Meeting**

There will be a Deacons' Court Meeting on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March after the Morning Service at 12.30pm.

## **Easter Fun Day**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2-4pm. Drop in to explore the Easter story through activities, games and craft. All ages welcome, and please invite your friends, family and neighbours. Flyers are available at the door.

## **Easter Cards from Faith Mission**

There will be a selection of packs of Easter Cards for sale on the card stall to browse and purchase.

## **The Friends of Jesus Group**

The Friends of Jesus Group are holding a Tartan Tea on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April from 10am till 12 noon. The funds raised will go towards the good work of Prospects Across Scotland which offers support, training and resources to all the groups like our Friends of Jesus group, with adults with a learning disability. There will be gift and craft stall. Entry by donation. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Date for your Diary**

The church BBQ is on Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> at Beecraigs. We hope you can all come. More details nearer the time.

### **Big Litter Pick**

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 10.00 - 11.30, we are holding our Big Litter Pick in conjunction with Keep Scotland Beautiful's spring clean campaign. The event will be held initially in Quarry Park but will extend to neighbouring streets and the canal path, depending on numbers. Meet in the Community Centre car park at 10.00. Equipment will be provided but bring your own gloves. No unaccompanied children and they must be supervised at all times.

### **Daily Bible Reading Notes**

The next issue of Daily Bread is now available. If you would like a copy, then please email [heather.oneill5@btinternet.com](mailto:heather.oneill5@btinternet.com). The price is £5.49. This is a great tool to use in your daily devotions.

### **Support for Foodbanks**

At the last Kirk Session meeting it was decided that, as a congregation going forward, we wished to support both Falkirk Foodbank and Martha's Pantry at Slamannan. The Community Outreach Team is working out the best way of doing this. In the meantime, please continue to bring donations of food week by week – they are hugely appreciated and very necessary. Thank you.

### **Martha's Pantry Day**

The Community Outreach Team have designated March as the month for all our donations to go to Martha's Pantry in Slamannan. All donations are gratefully received. Volunteers - Martha's Pantry has been a great success in Slamannan and have over 60 members who they help out in a small but significant way. The ability to cope with demand has been hampered recently by a shortage of volunteers. If you could help, even for a few hours a month they would be pleased to see you. Contact Roy Graham or Iris O'Neill.

### **Items for Newssheet**

Please note that the deadline for items for the newssheet is 12 noon on Thursday.

### **Flowers in Church**

Flowers are provided this week by Janet Innes.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Denise Beggs.

Delivery next week will be May Kennedy.

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

Sandra Anderson, Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Neil Matheson, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	2.00 pm	Art Group
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	9.30 am	Pre 5s
	1.00 pm	Pre 5s
	6.15 pm	BB Anchor Boys
	6.30 pm	Safeguarding Panel Meeting
	7.30 pm	Safar Catch Up Meeting
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	6.15 pm	GB Juniors
	7.30 pm	GB Brigaders
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	6.15 pm	GB Explorers
	7.45 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Prayer
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	6.15 pm	BB Juniors
	7.30 pm	BB Company
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	2.00 pm	Belong: Easter Fun Day
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service (Live Streamed)
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	12.30 pm	Deacons' Court
	2.00 pm	Grace Course
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

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