



**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 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (11.00 am)**

Scripture Reading: Joel 2:18-29 (NIVUK) (page 914)

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome, Notices and Gathering Moment

The Choir: 'Be Thou my vision'

Call to Worship

**Hymn – Old 100<sup>th</sup> (All people)**

**Hymn MP-1040 Come, now is the time to worship**

All Together Time: Testimony

**Hymn – It's an adventure**

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Andrew Robertson

Prayer for Others

Jason Glass

**Hymn MP-32 An army of ordinary people**

Message

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-932 Standing on the promises (v1-2, 4-5)**

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 10.30 am in the small hall, or on Thursday evenings at 8.15 pm on Zoom only this week. Please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) for Zoom login details if you would like to join.

### **Deacons' Court**

There will be meeting following the service this morning at 12.30 pm.

### **Brightons Parish Church Bereavement / Memorial Service**

We invite you, your family and friends to join us at Brightons Parish Church **today 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. We do hope to see you there. Tea/Coffee will be served in the Rankine Hall after the Service.

### **Margaret Henderson - Funeral**

The funeral of Margaret Henderson will be held tomorrow, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May at Falkirk Crematorium at 3.15pm. Please remember Margaret's family in your prayers at this time.

### **Tea and Coffee**

14<sup>th</sup> May – Heather McManus, Roy Graham, and Marion Graham.  
21<sup>st</sup> May – Alex Davis, Eileen McArdle and Jackie Sihota.

### **Picture Video**

Our next picture video will be next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Please can you send all your pictures and videos by 18<sup>th</sup> May to [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk).

### **Half Hour Service**

The next Half Hour Service will take place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30 am.

### **Joint Upper Braes Service**

The next joint service will take place on 28<sup>th</sup> May at Brightons Parish Church.

### **Friendship Plus - Lunch**

The Friendship Plus Lunch is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at the Dutch Inn. 12.30 pm for 1pm.

## **St Margaret's**

The next Service at St Margarets will be next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 2pm.

## **Christian Aid Coffee Morning**

This is our main fund raiser for Christian Aid this year. As a Church we have a long history of supporting Christian Aid and invite you all to a Coffee Morning on Thursday 18th May at 10.00am until 12 noon. This is being held as a joint venture with the Thursday Coffee Morning. Donations of baking will be very welcome and these can be handed in on the Wednesday evening between 7.30pm and 8pm. Can't come? No problem you can make a donation in other ways, direct to Maralyn Stirling / Roy Graham or through the Just Giving Page that Maralyn has set up. [www.justgiving.com/page/maralyn-stirling-1683640223447](http://www.justgiving.com/page/maralyn-stirling-1683640223447).

## **Church Family BBQ.**

Saturday 20th May 10am-2pm. Beecraigs Country Park. Come along & join us. Please return forms by Sunday 14th May for catering numbers. These can be given to SS leaders or placed in box at front & back of church.

## **Golf Outing**

The next golf outing to the 12-hole course at Gogarburn golf club will be held on Friday 23rd June 2023. In recent years this has usually involved players from Polmont Old and Brightons but we would like to open it up to anyone with a connection to any of the local churches who fancies a game of golf. We usually play in teams of 3 or 4 and there are prizes for the best team stableford score, best individual net score, nearest the pin and longest drive. The cost will be around £32 including coffee and a filled roll before play and a 2-course lunch served after the golf. Please contact Billy Rankine by Sunday 4th June if you're interested in playing or just looking for more information about the golf. E mail [billyrankine@btinternet.com](mailto:billyrankine@btinternet.com) or 07860 527899.

## **Concert in Laurieston Church**

On Friday 26th May at 7.30pm, local singer Cheryl Forbes and her husband (the popular entertainer Gordon Cree) are appearing in concert in Laurieston Church. Tickets may be reserved by calling 01324 620178 or you can pay at the door. Coffee/Tea and biscuits are included in the £10 ticket price.

## **Items for Newsheet**

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

## **Flowers in Church**

Flowers are provided this week by The Coffee Morning Team.  
Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Carol Callahan.  
Delivery next week will be Jessie Wallace.

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

Linda Clarke, James Falconer, Jason Glass, Richard McManus, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Andrew Robertson, Eric Smith and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	3.15 pm	Margaret Henderson Crematorium Service
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30 am	Pre 5s
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Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	12.30 pm	Friendship Plus Lunch (Dutch Inn)
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00 am	Christian Aid Coffee Morning
	7.45 pm	Up and Coming Team Meeting
	7.45 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	2.00 pm	Long Covid Group
	7.30 pm	BB Junior and Company Display Night
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00 am	Church Family BBQ
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	2.00 pm	St Margaret's Service

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