



**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 21st May 2023 (11.00 am)**

Scripture Reading: Joel 2:30-3:21 (NIVUK) (page 914)

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome, Notices and Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

**Hymn – Yet not I but through Christ in me**

**Hymn MP-296 I stand amazed (vv1,4-5)**

All Together Time: Pics and News

**Hymn – For God so loved the world**

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Isabel Scougal

The Choir: 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds'

Prayer for Others

Marion Graham

**Hymn MP-25 All to Jesus I surrender (vv1-2,4-5)**

Message

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-250 How shall they hear?**

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 revisit previous sermon videos and much more.

## **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, You Tube and Facebook this week. Please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) for Zoom login details if you would like to join.

## **Half Hour Service**

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

## **Joint Upper Braes Service**

The next joint service will take place **next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> May** at 11.00 am here at Brightons Parish Church. This is an opportunity to join in worship with those from across the Upper Braes area. Please do come along and encourage others.

## **Kirk Session**

There will be a Kirk Session meeting on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 7.45pm in the Rankine Hall.

## **Connect Magazine**

Copies of Connect are now available for Elders and Pastoral Grouping Leaders to collect and deliver. There are also a number of bundles for members not in a Pastoral Grouping and we are looking for volunteers to deliver these - a small number of magazines in a geographical area. If you are able to help please take a bundle from the table - any questions please speak to Jean Meek. Thank you.

## **General Assembly**

The General Assembly is meeting this week in Edinburgh. Please pray for all who will be attending as Commissioners, asking for grace and wisdom in the many debates and discussions, and for God's leading in the decisions made.

## **Christian Aid**

A big "thank you" to those who came along to the Christian Aid coffee morning on Thursday which raised almost £400 on the day. Didn't manage along? No problem you can still donate 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).

### **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.

### **Tea and Coffee**

21<sup>st</sup> May – Alex Davis, Eileen McArdle and Jackie Sihota.

28<sup>th</sup> May – Sandra and Bill Smillie, Norma and Alan Thompson.

### **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 Maralyn Stirling.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Jessie Wallace.

Delivery next week will be Maralyn Stirling.

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

Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Marion Graham, Richard McManus, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Andrew Philp, Isabel Scougal, Eric Smith and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday 23rd May	9.30 am	Pre 5s
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	7.30 pm	Sunday School Leaders' Meeting
Wednesday 24th May	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	7.30 pm	Community Outreach Team Meeting
Thursday 25th May	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	10.15 am	WPS Nursery visiting
	11.30 am	Half-hour Service
	7.45 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer (all platforms)
Sunday 28th May	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Joint Upper Braes Service (Live Streamed)
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

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