



**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 Monica MacDonald.**

**Order of Service – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (11.00 am)**

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome, Notices and Gathering Moment

The Choir: 'O God, You search me and You know me'

Call to Worship

**Hymn MP-307 I will enter His gates with thanksgiving**

**Hymn MP-272 I have decided to follow Jesus**

All Age Talk

**Hymn - The wise man built his house upon a rock**

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Hymn MP-1151 Amazing Grace (my chains are gone)**

Scripture Readings:

2 Chronicles 15 v 1–8 (page 447-448)

Hebrews 11 v 29 to Hebrews 12 v 3 (page 1210)

Jennifer Gallivan

**Hymn MP-37 As the deer pants for the water**

Sermon: *A Race Worth Running*

**Hymn MP-494 O for a closer walk with God**

Prayer for Others

James Falconer

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-51 Be Thou my vision**

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.

## **This Morning**

We welcome Rev Monica MacDonald to lead our service as part of the Braes pulpit exchange.

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

## **St Margaret's Service**

The next Service at St Margaret's is on Sunday 18th June at 2 pm.

## **Deacons' Court and Kirk Session Meetings**

The next Deacons' Court meeting is on Tuesday 20th June at 7.45 pm followed by a Kirk Session meeting at 8.45 pm.

## **Summer Services**

These will run from 2nd July to 13th August inclusive. For the last few summers, we have adopted a particular rhythm, and this will continue again this year. Since we do not have a sufficient body of people to offer a summer Sunday School, and to ensure our hard-working Sunday School volunteers get a proper rest, we will be having two services each Sunday:

9.30 am - this will be a half-hour, family-friendly service in the sanctuary. Anyone is welcome to attend. Resource packs are available each week for children and the message will be all-age.

11.00 am - this will be a more regular service but with no all-age section. The resource packs will still be available, as the message in both services will follow the same Bible passage, and the creche room is still available.

We are also experimenting with moving the refreshments to 10.30 am over the summer period and so there will be no after-service refreshments following the 11.00 am service. We hope this will enable a time of fellowship even if people depart quickly afterwards to enjoy family time during these weeks. We will still have 10.15 am prayer each Sunday, so stay on, or come a little earlier, to share in this too.

If you have any questions then please speak to Scott, your Pastoral Group leader or your child's Sunday School teacher.

### **Prayer Ministry Training – open invite**

Being able to pray openly with and for another person is such a blessing, whether that's within church events or out in the community. So, a two-night training course will be run on 13th and 20th August, 6.30-9 pm. If you are interested, please confirm your attendance with Scott.

### **Letter from the Duncans**

Copies of the most recent letter from our missionary partners, the Duncans, are available at the front and back door – please take one.

### **Thank you**

Pauline and Jim O'Rorke would like to thank everyone for the kind wishes and cards they received on the occasion of their Golden Wedding.

### **Christians in Science**

Christians in Science are holding a one-day conference on Saturday 17th June, and a free evening meeting on Friday 16th June entitled "Talking Together? Science and the Church". If anyone is interested in attending either event, then contact Rachel Gilmour on 07931 170127 or check their website for more information.

### **Tea and Coffee**

11th June – Iris O'Neill, Heather O'Neill and Margaret Sim.

18th June – Janet Crosthwaite, Christine Hastings and Jennifer Gallivan.

### **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 Jean Beattie in loving memory of Tom.

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, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Jennifer Gallivan, Morag Lang, Neil Matheson, Rev Monica MacDonald, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith, and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday 13th June	9.30 am	Pre 5s
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	7.45 pm	Safeguarding Panel Meeting
Wednesday 14th June	10.00 am	Wednesday Book Group
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	8.00 pm	Huddle Catch Up
Thursday 15th June	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Sunday 18th June	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
	7.30 pm	Gender Based Violence Team Meeting

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