

**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 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (11.00 am)**

*We offer ourselves to God in Worship*

Welcome, Notices and Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

**Hymn MP-870 Jesus is the name we honour**

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

All Together Time: Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Hymn – Our God is a great big God**

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

'An invitation to care for neighbour'

James and Scott

The Choir: 'Let the beauty of Jesus'

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-13 (NIVUK) (page 1083)

Lesley Mann

Prayer for Others

Rachel Meek

**Hymn MP-988 How deep the Father's love for us**

Message

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-463 May the mind of Christ my Saviour (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, 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 **today** 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.

## **Safeguarding Coordinator**

Irene Stewart, who has been Brightons Parish Church Safeguarding Coordinator for a number of years is stepping down. We thank Irene for all her hard work, much done behind the scenes, in this vital area of our church life. We welcome Suzanne Stirling as Irene’s replacement as Safeguarding Coordinator. Suzanne can be contacted at [safeguarding@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@brightonschurch.org.uk) or on 07917 010861. Details are on the posters on the noticeboards.

## **Thank You**

Conor and Rachael McLeod and Tom would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers and support after the loss of Lesley. Special thanks to Ian Baillie for a lovely service at the crematorium.

## **Wedding of Peter and June**

We are pleased to announce that Peter and June are to be married by Scott at Brightons Church on Sunday 25th June. This will be a very small wedding starting at 1.30, lasting approximately 30 minutes. Peter and June have said anyone wishing to be present are more than welcome.

## **Sunday School Picnic**

Sunday 25th June is the Sunday School closing service. We are holding an impromptu picnic after the service. Please come and join us, bring your own food and drinks. We will meet on the grass in Quarry Park, in the case of inclement weather a decision will be made on the morning.

## **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.

## **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.

## **Gender Based Stereotyping and Men in the Church:**

"I don't stereotype anyone. It's nothing to do with me!" would likely be the response of most men in the church. Scott and James Falconer would like to explore that discussion with men in the congregation at an informal session on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August from 7pm – food and refreshments included. Speak to Scott or James if you would like to sign-up or receive more information.

## **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.

## **Tea and Coffee**

18th June – Janet Crosthwaite, Christine Hastings and Maralyn Stirling.

25th June – Eileen McArdle, Alex Davis and Alison Cassells.

## **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 Alan and Norma Thompson.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Lesley Baillie.

Delivery next week will be Jane Bell.

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

Laura Eckles, James Falconer, John-Luke Kirton, Morag Lang, Lesley Mann, Adam Matheson, Neil Matheson, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Rachel Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith, and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30 am	Pre 5s
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	7.45 pm	Deacons' Court
	8.45 pm	Kirk Session
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	10.15 am	Braes Ministry Team Meeting
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	8.45 pm	Youth Worker Team Meeting
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	2.00 pm	Long Covid Group
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	1.30 pm	Peter and June's Wedding Ceremony
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

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