



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

**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 25th June 2023 (11.00 am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome, Notices and Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-1221 Praise is rising

Sunday School Welcome

Juniors' Drama: Zacchaeus

Prayer with Lord's Prayer

Hymn – Jesus loves me

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

The books of the New Testament

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-9 (NIVUK) (page 1053)

Hymn MP-619 Such love pure as the whitest snow

All Age Message

We respond to God

Hymn – God's love is the best love

Prayer of response

Hymn MP-1094 Shout to the north and the south

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. You can download material from the website as well as revisit 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 and throughout the summer holiday period. Please email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join.

Safeguarding Coordinator

We welcome Suzanne Stirling as our new Safeguarding Coordinator. Suzanne can be contacted at safeguarding@brightonschurch.org.uk or on 07917 010861. Details are on the posters on the noticeboard.

Wedding of Peter and June

We are pleased to announce that Peter and June are to be married by Scott at Brightons Church today. 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.

Evening Service

Our next Evening Service is **tonight** at 6.30 pm including time for prayer and also the celebration of Communion. Please come and join us.

Thursday Half-hour Service

This will be held this Thursday at 11.30 am and will include Communion. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday School Picnic

Today is the Sunday School closing service. We are holding an impromptu picnic after the service. Please come and join us.

Summer Pastoral Visits – Sign Up Sheets

With a change of activities over the summer, Scott is making some diary space to offer pastoral visits to those who would wish a visit – sign-up sheets are in the front vestibule. If you know of someone who might like a visit, then please ask them first before reserving a time on their behalf. There are daytime and evening options, beginning from the first week of July 'til the end of August. Visits can be to your home or in the vestry, whichever you prefer.

Summer Services

These will run from 2nd July to 13th August inclusive. Each Sunday there will be services at 9.30 am (this will be a half-hour, family-friendly service in the sanctuary) and 11.00 am – (this will be a more regular service but with no all-age section or Sunday School groups).

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.

Coffee Morning

The Coffee Morning will finish for the Summer on 29th June. Grateful thanks to all for your help and attendance each week. Enjoy the summer holidays - see you in August.

Deacons, Elders, Sunday School and Group Leaders

There is training (refresher for many) on fire evacuation procedures arranged in the Rankine Hall for the following dates: Sun 13th, 20th and 27th Aug 10:15-10:45; Mon 14th Aug 19:30-20:00. Please ensure you attend ONE of these dates.

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 18th August from 7pm – food and refreshments included. Speak to Scott or James if you would like to sign-up or receive more information.

New Name for Upper Braes Churches

A small group of representative Elders from the four Kirk Sessions of the Upper Braes Churches are beginning to work on a number of tasks that are required to be thought about ahead of our anticipated Union. One of these tasks is the creation of a single new name for us all to come under. We invite anyone from the four congregations to submit ideas to their representative Elders by Sunday 6th August. Details of what must be included in the name are noted in print outs available at the church door; please pick up a copy on your way out today. Your representative Elders for Brightons Parish Church are Jessie Wallace and James Falconer. Please speak with them or Scott if you have any questions.

Tea and Coffee

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

2nd July – Sandra Smillie, Bill Smillie, Alan Thompson and Norma Thompson.

Daily Bread Bible Reading Notes

These are now available at a cost of £5.49 each from Heather O'Neill. Please speak to Heather or email heather.oneill5@btinternet.com.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Nancy Lees.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Jane Bell.

Delivery next week will be Ann Swinney.

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

Linda Clarke, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Richard McManus, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith and the Sunday School.

The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Wednesday 28 th June	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	7.45 pm	Up and Coming Team Meeting
Thursday 29 th June	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	11.30 am	Thursday Service
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer (Zoom)
Sunday 2 nd July	9.30 am	All Age Summer Service
	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	10.30 am	Morning Refreshments
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed

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