

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 Service to God is led today by Rev Scott Burton.

Order of Service – Sunday 21st January (11.00 am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

The Choir: 'Sweet is the work'

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-991 I will worship

Hymn MP-880 Lord I come to You

All Together Time: Prayer

Hymn - I'm gonna jump up and down

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

Update from Prospects Across Scotland (Ivy Blair)

Prayer for Others (David MacAskill)

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-10 (page 1218) (George Mann)

Hymn MP-624 Take my life (v1, 3, 5-6)

Message

Hymn MP-640 The Church's one foundation (v1-2, 4)

Benediction and Threefold Amen

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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 sermons.

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 Facebook, YouTube and Zoom. Please email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join. Please note that the Thursday Evening Live Prayer this week is on Zoom only.

This Morning

We welcome Ivy Blair to our Service this morning to provide an update on the work of Prospects Across Scotland.

Next Week's Service

As part of the Braes Pulpit Swap next week, we welcome Rev Adam Stevenson from Wallacestone Methodist Church.

Kirk Session and Deacons' Court

Please note that the next meeting of the Kirk Session and Deacons' Court will be on Tuesday 30th January at 7.45 pm.

The Guild

The next Guild Meeting is on Monday 22nd January at 7.30 pm. The speaker will be Michaela Foster Marsh to talk on the Finding the Light in Every Child Project.

March Communion Card

If any of the group leaders have dates that they want included on the back of the Communion Card please send the information to Margaret Sim at connect@brightonschurch.org.uk by 28th January 2024.

St Margaret's Service

The next St Margaret's Service is next Sunday, 28th January at 2.00 pm.

Girls' Brigade Coffee Evening

The Girls Brigade are holding a Coffee Evening on Wednesday 24th January at 7.00 pm. All are welcome. Please come along and support the work of the Girls Brigade.

<u>Safar</u>

We are delighted that 40 people have signed up to follow the Safar materials in 2024. The Safar booklets for the first 10 weeks are ready for collection. Please see Heather McManus after the service to collect your copy. Pairs can choose a time and location that suits them both, and can either meet every week or every fortnight. Please get in touch with Heather McManus if you have any questions.

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Logos Scotland

Logos Scotland is delighted to announce our first Faith in the Public Square Conference, to be held on 22 March 2024, in Stirling. Speakers include Kate Forbes MSP, Murdo Fraser MSP, Dan Strange, James Eglinton and Lois McLatchie. It is a varied programme with plenty of time to meet and chat with other Christians interested in how Christians intersect with politics, culture, locality and science. Tickets are £38, or thanks to funding from the Haldane Trust we are able to those under the age of 26 or in full time Christian work a heavily discounted rate of £5 for the day, which includes coffee and lunch. Just enter code **Haldane** at the checkout. You can see the full agenda and book here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/744090202827

Belong

Saturday 3rd February 2-4pm. Our next all-age session is exploring "Why did Jesus come?" There will be crafts, games, coffee and a treasure hunt. Do come along, whatever your age, and invite friends and family. Flyers are at the doors. Please pray for this event to reach lots of people with the good news of Jesus.

Answered Prayer

Have you, or anyone you know, had answered prayer for healing? We want to share testimonies at BELONG, to show that God still heals today. They don't have to be amazing stories, it is good to show that God is with us even in everyday sickness. There is paper at the front and back door to write a sentence or two. Thank you!

Youth Worker Project Appeal

We are delighted to report that we are about half way towards our target of £1250 per month pledged, by end February 2024, to fund this project over the next 3.5 years. Please continue to prayerfully consider donating, if you have not already done so. You can catch up on the presentation and download appeal information including response form by visiting our website, or pick up a letter from the front and rear doors. You can help young people experience the truth of John 10:10, that Jesus came to give life in all its fullness. Thank you.

The Praise Band

We would like to expand our range of musicians and vocalists to allow for absences and holidays, and to allow band members some time off to worship as part of the congregation. If you play an instrument or like to sing and would consider being part of this valuable worship team, please speak to Scott or one of the band members. There is plenty of opportunity to practise with the band before deciding if it is for you. 'Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.' (Psalm 150)

Tea and Coffee

21st January – Sandra Smillie, Bill Smillie, Alan Thompson and Norma Thompson. 28th January – Tom Nimmo, Alan Oliver and Edna Oliver.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Sheila Colebrook.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Alison Cassells.

Delivery next week will be Nancy Lees.

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

Ivy Blair, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Morag Lang, David MacAskill, Richard McManus, George Mann, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp and the Choir.

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The Week Ahead at Brightons

| Date | Time | Activity |
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| TODAY | 10.15 am | Congregational Prayer Time |
| Sunday 21 st January | | Morning Service Live Streamed |
| | 11.00 am | Sunday School Groups |
| | 7.45 pm | Sunday Youth Fellowship |
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| Monday 22 nd January | 7.00 pm | Safeguarding Panel Meeting |
| | 7.30 pm | The Guild |
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| Tuesday 23 rd January | 9.30 am | Pre 5s |
| | 10.15 am | Braes Ministry Team Meeting |
| | 1.00 pm | Pre 5s |
| | 6.15 pm | BB Anchor Boys |
| | 7.30 pm | Discipleship Team Meeting |
| | 7.30 pm | Community Outreach Team Meeting |
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| Wednesday 24 th January | 7.00 pm | GB Coffee Evening |
| | 7.30 pm | Band Practice |
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| Thursday 25 th January | 10.00 am | Coffee Morning |
| | 11.30 am | Thursday Service |
| | 6.30 pm | Friends of Jesus |
| | 7.30 pm | Choir |
| | 8.15 pm | Thursday Evening Live Prayer (Zoom only) |
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| Friday 26 th January | 6.15 pm | BB Junior Section |
| | 7.30 pm | BB Company Section |
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| Sunday 28 th January | 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 |
| | 6.30 pm | Evening Service |