

The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
TODAY	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
Sunday 21 st April	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday Club Groups
	7.45 pm	Sunday Youth Fellowship
Monday 22 nd April	1.30 pm	Guild Committee Meeting
	2.00 pm	Art Group
	7.30 pm	Men's Book Group
Tuesday 23 rd April	9.30 am	Pre 5s
	10.15 am	Braes Ministry Team Meeting
Wednesday 24 th April	10.00 am	Pastoral Care Team Meeting
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	8.00 pm	Huddle Catch Up
Thursday 25 th April	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	11.30 am	Thursday Service
	7.30 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Sunday 28 th April	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday Club Groups
	12.30 pm	Open Meeting: Additional Support Needs
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

Minister	Rev Scott Burton	☎: 341590 scott.burton@churchofscotland.org.uk Unavailable on a Friday from 14:30 - Saturday 14:30
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**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 Judith Norton.**

Order of Service – Sunday 21st April 2024 (11.00 am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

The Choir: 'Who can cheer'

Call to Worship

Hymn – Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Hymn - Yet not I but through Christ in me

All Together Time

Hymn – I'm gonna jump up and down

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer*

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:46-52 (NIVUK) (page 1015) (Norma Thompson)

Prayer for Others (Jason Glass)

Hymn - Amazing grace (My chains are gone)

We respond to God

Message (Judith Norton)

Hymn – Grace awaiting me

Benediction and Threefold Amen

* The words for the Lord's Prayer will appear on screen, if you find these helpful.

*We have Sunday groups for all ages of children up to S3,
as well as a creche room available.*

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, X, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website, see the calendar and news, as well as revisit previous sermons.

This Morning’s Service

We welcome Judith Norton to lead the Service this morning.

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.

Update on Leave of Absence for Ian Baillie – Pastoral Assistant

Ian will continue to be off for a while longer, at least until the end of April, but we will confirm when he starts back and ask you to continue to give Ian space and prayerful support during this leave for recovery. In the meantime, for any pastoral updates or needs please contact Scott, Sandra Anderson or Judith Norton.

Thank You

Alistair Cross would like to thank everyone for the kind wishes, cards and flowers that he has received in the recent weeks.

Half Hour Service

The next Thursday half hour service will be this Thursday 25th April at 11.30 am.

Evening Service

The next Evening Service will be next Sunday 28th April at 6.30 pm.

Update on Presbytery Mission Plan

The Mission Plan Action Group (MPAG) has released the updated draft Presbytery Mission Plan and this will be discussed on Saturday 27th April in Motherwell. The meeting will be live-streamed on the Presbytery website but since it is a whole day meeting we do not plan to make this available locally. However, copies of the proposal for the Upper Braes cluster are available at the front and rear doors; there are no changes to what the Kirk Sessions proposed to MPAG. If the draft plan is accepted at the meeting, it still has various steps to go through before being full adopted. We’ll keep you posted. If you have questions, please speak with Scott.

Connect Summer Edition

The deadline for articles for the Summer edition of Connect Magazine is **TODAY**. Articles can be submitted to Margaret Sim via connect@brightonschurch.org.uk or you can leave them in the Church Office. Many thanks.

Men’s Book Group

The next meeting of the Men’s Book Group will be held on Monday 22nd April at 7.30 pm in the Vestry.

Open Meeting: Additional Support Needs - Sunday 28th April 12.30pm - 1.30pm

For a few years we've been talking about how to lower the barriers within the life of our congregation for those with Additional Support Needs (ASN). Whilst we do not want to overpromise, we do wish to continue the conversation by inviting any member or family to a meeting in the Herriot Hall after morning worship on Sunday 28th April, with the option for you to bring a picnic lunch. You might have an ASN, or have a child who does, or simply have experience in this area - all are welcome. This event is not only for those affected by neurodiversities like autism. If you would like any more information, or if you can't make the date but would like to add your thoughts, then please speak to Scott.

Launch of CAP Money Course in Brightons

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a charity that Brightons supports in fighting debt and poverty in the Forth Valley area. This is done in partnership with local churches, working to see lives transformed. In addition to their debt advice service, they now run Money Management courses in cooperation with churches. Since its launch nationally they have helped thousands of people to budget, spend and save better. They believe that when people feel confident and equipped to manage their money well, they have greater financial resilience, healthier relationships and more opportunities to thrive. Money coaching is designed to help people from all walks of life and income to: 1) Build a successful budget and stick to it. 2) Discover easy ways to keep track of your money. 3) Avoid overspend and unmanageable debt. Sometime in May, CAP will be running a Money course in Brightons and if you're interested, please provide your name and details to Roy Graham or Maralyn Stirling. The course runs over 9 modules and is usually 2 hours a week over a 4-week period. It is entirely free and all materials are provided as well as online access to budgeting tools and benefits calculator. You will find flyers in the pews giving more information.

Tea and Coffee

21st April – Janet Crossthwaite, Christine Hastings and Jennifer Gallivan.

28th April – Heather McManus, Roy Graham and Marion Graham.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Marie McCormack.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Ann Swinney.

Delivery next week will be Anne Smith.

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

Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, James Falconer, Jason Glass, Susan McIntosh, Richard McManus, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Ewan McManus, Judith Norton, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Norma Thompson, The Choir and Welcome Team.