

Brightons Parish Church

Minister - Rev Scott Burton

Tel. 715565 (The Manse) 713855 (Church Vestry/Office)

Welcome to All

We join together to worship God in the Name of Jesus Christ.

We are especially delighted to have you with us and if you are visiting we would be glad to have you sign our visitors' book in the Church vestibule.



*“We seek to show Christ’s love to all
and to be a blessing to the wider world”*

Service 11.00 a.m. 10th March 2019

- Introit **‘By Cool Siloam’**
- Welcome and Announcements
 - **We offer Ourselves and our Children to God in Worship**
- Call to Worship
- Mission Praise **1040 Come, now is the time to worship**
- Young People’s Message
- Mission Praise **49 Be bold, be strong**
 - **We listen for God speaking to us**
- **Offering Uplifted - we remain seated to sing**
- Mission Praise **590 Seek ye first the kingdom of God**
- **Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**
- Scripture Reading **Luke 4 v 1 - 13 page 1030**
- **Prayers for others**
- Mission Praise **1101 Over all the earth**
- **Sermon**
 - **We respond to God**
- Mission Praise **560 Praise my soul, the king of heaven**
- Benediction and Threefold Amen

Maralyn Stirling
Jason Glass

If you wish to contact anyone, or follow up anything mentioned in the newsheet, please email info@brightonschurch.org.uk

The Retiring Offering at both Communion Services last Sunday raised £185.26 for our Missionary Partners, the Duncans, in South Africa. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Faith Mission Bookstall: **Today** there will be a bookstall after this morning's service in the Rankine Hall. Come and have a browse of our books, CDs, DVDs, small gifts and Easter resources.

Parish Easter Card: This is an open invitation to design this year's parish Easter Card. Designs should be submitted by **today**, either by email to communications@brightonschurch.org.uk or in the box at the front of the church.

Please remember in your prayers Rev Sandra Mathers and all the family and friends following the sad news of Rev Danny Mathers' passing last week. Danny's funeral will be held on **Friday 15th March** at 11.00 a.m. in Brightons Church and thereafter to Old Grandsable Cemetery at 12 noon.

Congregational Prayer Time takes place this **Thursday from 7.45 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. in the Small Hall**, and is a time when we can all come together, for all or part of the evening, to pray for God's people across the world.

The Guild: The next meeting of the Guild will be tomorrow, **Monday 11th March** at the earlier time of **7.00 p.m. for the ABM**. This will be followed by our guest speaker, Kay Keith, on the topic 'Journeys with the Guild'. The next afternoon meeting will be on **Monday 18th March** at 2.00 p.m. This will be an Afternoon Tea.

The Falkirk Guilds Together Annual Meeting will take place on **Thursday 21st March** in Trinity Church, Falkirk at **7.30 p.m.**

Breathing In - a time to retreat and prepare for the work God has called you to: We are looking forward to our next Breathing In event which takes place this **Saturday 16th March**. This event is not just for children and youth leaders but for anyone involved in raising a young person and who would like to know more about how to help them connect with God. The morning will **start at 9.15 a.m.** with coffee/tea/cake and finish after lunch at 1.00 p.m.

If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the hall vestibule. If you have any questions or would be able to help serve teas and coffee, please speak to Carolyn McEwan, Heather McManus or Judith Norton.

FLAIM are hosting a bake sale in the foyer following the service on **Sunday 17th March**. All proceeds from the sale are going towards a school friend of theirs who is suffering from a rare cancer. Her family are raising funds as it is looking likely that she will need treatment of a form only available in the USA. FLAIM are keen to do their bit to support their friend and are planning to make all sorts of goodies!

Praying for Our Young People: We would like to invite all our youth and children's leaders/helpers to come and join us for some coffee, pastries and a time of prayer for our young people. This will take place on **Sunday 24th March from 9.30 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.** in the Heriot Hall. A warm welcome is extended to anyone else who would like to join us. Please see Heather McManus or Judith Norton if you are interested.

The Case for Prayer: All Christ's followers should lead a life of prayer. In fact, Scripture tells us in 1 Thessalonians to pray without ceasing. Prayer is one of the deepest joys of the Christian life, as we are bringing our praise, requests, and confessions to the throne of the living God - our God who not only hears us but intimately knows us and cares about our individual needs. While private prayer is vital to the Christian life, so is praying together with our church families. When we gather with other believers and engage in corporate prayer, we increase our joy and encourage one another as we take turns praising our Heavenly Father for who He is and for how He provides. We also allow ourselves to be humbled, as we confess our sins or speak openly about the struggles we face, and ask God for wisdom and intervention. In corporate prayer, we learn from the way others speak to God and become involved in the process of sanctification in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ. The benefits of corporate prayer are endless! When we engage in corporate prayer, we should also think outside the confines of our own personal church family. We need to be thinking about the church as a whole and the needs of our brothers and sisters around the world that we'll never meet this side of Heaven. We need to pray for the church's needs on a local and global scale. If you've never engaged in corporate prayer with our church family... why not 'lean in'. You will not regret it.

Prison Outreach at Easter: It is proposed that our Church give an Easter card and a small Easter Egg to all the inmates at the YOI. Monetary donations of £1 would be gratefully received to fund these gifts. It is good to think about our wider community who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Donation boxes will be available in the front and back vestibules of the church.

Friendship Plus: The next meeting is on **Wednesday 20th March from 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.** in the Rankine Hall and is an Afternoon Tea and the guest speaker will be Catherine Anderson and the title is 'Snapshots'. The cost of the afternoon is set at £2.00. We openly extend a warm welcome to both regular and new members for a time of friendship and fellowship.

Scottish Women of the Word Day Conference: The Scottish Women of the Word Day Conference brings women together to encourage, strengthen and enrich each other through Bible teaching, prayer and fellowship. This will be on **Saturday 11th May** at Richmond Park Hotel from 10.30 a.m. The speakers are Avril Fries and Ruth Aird. Cost £20 includes a 2 course lunch. Please contact Wendy Dick, for booking details.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Time	Activity
Sun 10 th Mar	10.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Prayer Meeting (Vestry)
	10.50 a.m.	Crèche (Small Hall)
	10.50 a.m.	Sunday Schools, Triple S and Flaim
	11.00 a.m.	Morning Worship
	12.15 p.m. approx.	Faith Mission Bookstall
	2.15 p.m.	Praise Group
	7.00 p.m.	Fellowship Group T
Mon 11 th Mar	2.00 p.m.	Art Group
	7.00 p.m.	The Guild including the A.B.M.
Tue 12 th Mar	9.45 a.m.	Pre Fives
	1.00 p.m.	Pre Fives
	6.15 p.m.	Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys
Wed 13 th Mar	6.15 p.m. - 7.45 p.m.	Girls' Brigade Juniors
	7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.	Girls' Brigade Brigaders
Thu 14 th Mar	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Church open - Prayer & Meditation
	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Coffee Morning
	6.15 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.	Girls' Brigade Explorers
	7.30 p.m.	Choir
	7.45 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.	Congregational Prayer Time
Fri 15 th Mar	6.15 p.m. - 7.45 p.m.	Boys' Brigade Juniors
	7.30 p.m. - 9.45 p.m.	Boys' Brigade Company and Seniors
Sat 16 th Mar	9.15 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.	Breathing In
Sun 17 th Mar	10.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Prayer Meeting (Vestry)
	10.50 a.m.	Crèche (Small Hall)
	10.50 a.m.	Sunday Schools, Triple S and Flaim
	11.00 a.m.	Morning Worship
	12.15 p.m. approx.	Flaim Bake Sale
	2.15 p.m.	Praise Group